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JEWELL CAPTURES ESCAPED CONVICT

J. T. Fox, escaped negro convict from the Mississippi State Prison at Parchman since May, 1930, was picked up Friday morning by Constable Brown Jewell, and held in the city jail until officers from Mississippi arrived.

Fox had been staying with a negro family named Walker living 12 miles south of the city. He seemed to be an agreeable sort of chap, and the Walkers had no reason to connect him with a previous record.

Jewell became suspicious, when Fox and Walker speeded away from the postoffice Friday morning. The officer overtook the car near Walker's store on Kingshighway and obtained an admission from Fox that he was wanted in the southern prison camp. The car occupied by Fox and his late host, was stolen two months ago in Kaiser, Ark. He told officer Jewell that he had served five years of his sentence up to the time of his escape. The prison camp, he said, was not a "walled city" after the fashion of most prisons, but was surrounded by a high wire fence.

The Mississippi officers were to arrive Saturday night.

FIVE SIKESTON SCOUTS TAKE ADVANCED STEP

Five Boy Scouts of Sikeston troop appeared before the Board of Review Thursday night for advancement to the higher ranks. Raymond Bandy qualified for the second requirements and John Wilson, Charles McMullin, Billy B. Donnell and Don Robinson for First Class.

The Court of Honor at which these awards and others previously earned will be present to the Scouts will be held Tuesday night, December 30. A program including Tenderfoot investiture which should be of interest to all friends of Scouting, is being planned.

QUARRELL OVER MONEY LEADS TO SHOOTING

Caruthersville, December 12.—Joe Buchanan, Roy Morrow and Leland Walder were wounded in a shooting affray here Wednesday. Buchanan and Morrow had a personal quarrel over money and last night Morrow fired at Buchanan, but did not hit him.

Just before time for their trial they met in front of a poolroom opposite the City Hall. Buchanan began firing at Morrow, who was hit in the leg. Glen Morrow, a brother of Roy, standing nearby, opened fire on Buchanan, wounding him in the hand and back. Walder, standing in front of the City Hall, was struck by a stray bullet. Morrow was arrested and released on bond. He will have a hearing December 19.

CAPE MAYOR HEADS COMMITTEE FOR JOBLESS

Cape Girardeau, December 12.—Mayor Edward L. Drum was chosen chairman at a mass meeting attended by 200 persons to head a movement to provide work for unemployed men here. A committee headed by the Mayor and including Commissioners Louis Wittmor and Phillip Steck, and a group of citizens, will meet soon to decide upon definite action.

Upkeeps of Paris streets during 1931-32 will cost \$472,800.

Mrs. Clarence E. Felker and daughter, Miss Ruth Felker, Mrs. J. M. Pitman and Mrs. Harry Young of Sikeston were in Cape Girardeau today shopping.—Cape Missourian.

COMMITTS SUICIDE AFTER LOAN IS TURNED DOWN BY BANK

Kennett, December 10.—R. E. Anderson, aged 60, director of the Bank of Hornesville, where and his brother, C. B. Anderson, operate a store, shot himself through the temple with a pistol yesterday. He died instantly. Officers said he had committed suicide.

The tragedy occurred in his store after he returned from the bank where he unsuccessfully attempted to obtain a loan. The suicide was attributed to financial worries.

Besides a wife, he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Warner J. Bishop of Little Rock, Mrs. Kathryn Anderson of Hornesville and Mrs. Clyde R. Welman, wife of Missouri Lions' governor of Kennett. He was born in Tennessee November 20, 1870, and came to Dunklin County in 1896.

TO THE PUBLIC

Since it has been published in the paper that I had used threats and sandbagging tactics to coerce or influence merchants to contribute to the new Sikeston church for working people, or Pentecostal Church of God, I want to state positively that I will give \$10 in cash of my own personal money if anyone will produce any letter or prove that I have made any threats to obtain money.

Since I have favored merchants here with hundreds of dollars worth of patronage and have induced many others to give certain business houses with liberal cash purchases, I have written two or three plainly that if they were not willing to return the favor by making a contribution to the new church and lots, since we needed it badly, they could not expect me to continue to favor them.

It is just a business proposition, regardless of any religious or social or political matter. Most all business houses want patronage and appreciate it and there are very few in America who are not willing to return the favor to you, if they can do so.

If any merchant in Sikeston who has not donated to the new Sikeston church for working people, and could not give \$25, \$10, \$5 or even \$1, and actually were willing to show their appreciation of trade and actually could not give but 50c, I would accept that amount just as freely as if they had donated \$100. It is not the money, it is a principle of appreciating favors shown them. It is just returning favors. No business house could expect men and women to favor them with business, if they willfully and deliberately refused to contribute a penny to their church where they need it. If some were so poor they could only donate 10c, I would consider they had appreciated our purchases of merchandise.

I have nothing but good will and heartiest wishes for every business man in Sikeston and wish them well. If two farmers who live near each other and one of them had been loaning plows, harrows, farm tools and other implements, then when the other needed the loan of his implements and he refused, could the said farmer who had been the recipient of the other farmers' kindness and generosity, expect his former friend to favor him again? Certainly not. When I was in the printing and publishing business here in Sikeston for twenty years, if some man had given me \$10 worth of job printing and had later asked for a favor, a donation to some worthy cause, I would have obtained an automobile and run him down to get to give it to him.

I am a great booster of Sikeston and the past several years have caused people from Arkansas to come and buy from Sikeston merchants. I farm and am supposed to have half caused a tenant on one of my farms in Arkansas several years ago to come

to Sikeston to buy some farming implements and merchandise. The writer the past 60 days has induced some people to come from Stoddard, Butler and Dunklin Counties to buy from Sikeston merchants.

The reason why I am trying to raise money so quickly is, I am trying to obtain the remainder of the money necessary to finish paying for the lots 18 and 19, in McCoy-Tanner's Third Addition to Sikeston so that we can obtain deed and abstract and make some repairs and improvements on the old building on the lots so that we can have services in the old shack

the trees bear.

I do not receive any honor or glory in raising money for this new church here. But on the other hand I do not have to do it and it is such a trying ordeal that I believe I would prefer serving six months in a dungeon rather than to have suffered it.

We have no intentions of antagonizing any denomination, neither do we want to induce anyone attending services at other churches to change their place of worship. But about one-half of the people do not attend services regularly anywhere. It is my great interest in the common people

ing all I can to boost Sikeston and to send people from other towns here to trade. Quite often on Saturday nights and Sundays, I am away preaching from 20 to 100 miles away and I boost Sikeston and Sikeston merchants and many times people have come in automobiles and bought merchandise.

I will be willing to give twice as much as they donate if they do not get value received in increased patronage.

Will thank anyone for a donation on the new Sikeston Working People's Church. Want to get all the

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in order to enroll this church on our minutes for 1930. And I want to take up collections every few days for men, women and children in destitute circumstances. We do the same work in this respect as the Salvation Army. The writer has contributed \$250 himself to charity the past few years. Tenants on two of my farms in Arkansas have not paid a cent rent in two years. I would not accept it. Have an orchard of apples, peaches, pears, plums and cherries on one farm and am supposed to have half of the fruit, but I let the tenants and poor people have the fruit every year

ple that induces me to undertake such a terrible task.

No creeds or doctrines will be preached and the writer will not receive any salary. Just free will offerings will be my only remuneration. People have written me from many towns, some 100 miles away, that they would attend services occasionally on Sundays, because they came in their overalls and house dresses, if they want to.

A lot of people will come from many towns, after church building is erected, and some of them will buy from Sikeston merchants. I am doing

money raised to pay for lots and repair and improve the old building on lots so that we can have services for a few weeks until sufficient money is on hand to commence work on new edifice.

I own 132 acres of woods land one-half mile from a town in Arkansas and destitute people are cutting wood off it all the time.

I have several thousand dollars worth of property and stand back of this church proposition. I do not owe a penny to any man on any of my property. Have not bought anything on time for 25 years.—John B. Huffman.

HAYTI-CARUTHERSVILLE ROAD TO BE SHORTENED TWO MILES

Hayti, December 12.—Work on State Highway No. 84 is progressing rapidly. This highway, 5.2 miles long, is to be paved and will shorten the distance of the former gravel road, approximately two miles, between Hayti and Caruthersville.

The contractors started work on the project November 15 and the contract calls for its completion by next October 3. The contractors, however, expect to complete the job two months earlier than the allotted time.

Work will continue during the winter on the bridge and dump work. All bridge and dump work is expected to be completed by the latter part of spring, after which paving will be started.

The project employs 45 men and several teams.

BROWN-MCCOY WEDDING PERFORMED BY JUSTICE

Miss Evelyn Brown of this city became the bride of Hardy McCoy, Scott County Milling Company employee, at a ceremony performed Friday evening, December 12, before Justice of the Peace, Jos. W. Myers.

TELLS OZARK BERRY GROWERS PRICE WILL BE HIGHER IN 1931

Monett, Mo., December 11.—The strawberry acreage to be picked next spring will be 40 per cent less throughout the United States and as a result the berry growers of the Ozark region will get good prices, E. A. Logan, statistician for the United States Bureau of Economics, told 100 association heads at the annual meeting of the Ozark Fruit Producers Exchange.

The drought of the past season will result in a greatly reduced production of berries, Logan said.

Charles F. Wilson of Washington D. C., a member of the Federal Farm Board, told the convention his board is willing to lend financial assistance to the Ozarks co-operative.

NEW HIGHWAY MARKERS TO BE WHITE SHIELDS IN SHAPE OF MISSOURI

Jefferson City, December 12.—New highway markers for State routes in Missouri, to replace the small oval black and orange markers now in use, have been approved by the State Highway Commission, T. H. Cutler, chief highway engineer, announced Wednesday.

The new markers will be black and white and approximately the same as the federal signs. They will be mounted on a white shield shaped like the map of the State, bearing "Missouri" and the route number.

New markers for the farm to market roads, 900 miles of which are to be built in 1931, are being prepared by the highway department, the design being a square with the name of the county and route letter.

FREE ELECTRICITY FOR MONTH

Albany, N. Y., December 11.—Administration supporters of the policy of public rather than private development of State-owned hydro-electric power resources were enthusiastic over an announcement by the Public Service Commission that the village of Penn Yan, which operates a municipally owned power plant in Cate, County, will give its 1770 consumers a Christmas gift of free electric current for the entire month of December.

The gift of a month's free current to customers follows a substantial reduction in rates which became effective for all consumers December 1.

MODEL CONOCO STATION NOW OPEN

Another Sikeston "ugly", the pile of debris and building bricks left when fire destroyed the Ford garage structure at the corner of Kingshighway and Malone has disappeared. In place of the unsightly vacant lot there now exists a modern, flood-lighted, cottage type oil station. The place was opened officially Saturday, December 13, by Harvey Blackburn, local agent and J. F. Hess, station attendant. J. B. Dickey, Cape Girardeau district superintendent for the company, personally supervised installation of equipment.

Three white way standards brilliantly illuminate the all-weather driveways, building and hydraulic grease lift at night. Each standard is equipped with one 500-watt and 100-watt lamp.

Equipment includes two 10-gallon visible pumps, automatic tire inflators, hydraulic lift, high pressure greaser and spring spray.

The building itself is modernly appointed. An Arcola hot water system provides uniform clean, radiator heat. A battery of narrow "Lubesters" contain Esko, Conoco and Germ Process lubricating oils.

All auxiliary equipment is housed in a room adjoining the main office and supply room. A neat arrangement takes care of the usually unsightly coal bin. An outdoor opening is provided through which fuel is shoveled into a closed chamber. A closed chute allows the coal to be taken out as needed.

Lights are used effectively throughout the station for effect. They blend well with the cheerful white and green walls and dull red tile floor.

According to the district superintendent, the small remaining plots of ground in front and on south of the station will be landscaped next spring.

THE DUKE STEPS OUT—ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE

Duke Weideman and Frank Lichford had inside information early Thursday morning on the location of a flock of wild geese a few miles north of the city. High powered guns and ammunition were gathered together and the Lichford-Weideman expedition set out.

The geese were tame, domesticated fowls running at large in this particular pasture.

KENNETT FIRE DAMAGE MONDAY PLACED AT \$10,000

Kennett, December 10.—Fire in the Pankey garage did about \$10,000 damage early this morning. There were 25 machines in the garage. The building, owned by A. A. Sexton, was covered by insurance as is the loss to the garage.

1930 ROAD PROGRAM BEING COMPLETED

Missouri's 1930 road building program is rapidly being completed. On December 1, the Highway Department had built 1627 miles of road. This construction is divided as follows: 470 miles of concrete, 807 miles of gravel, and 350 miles of graded earth. The above construction cost \$30,369,275.89.

There are still 361 active projects in the State on which work is being done when the weather permits. These jobs are mostly farm-to-market roads that are being rushed, in order to furnish labor to farmers and labor in local communities. On December 2, Chief Engineer Cutler opened bids on 52 new projects, totaling approximately \$2,225,000. Another letting is scheduled for December 19.

DOUBLE HEADER BASKET BALL, THURS. EVE. DEC. 18

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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A call was made for a bed, springs and mattress for a family of five children and a man who had but one bed. The mother had left for other parts with another man. The editor and wife sent the outfit. That is the end of this story. Good Samaritans sent in some food to this same family. The next morning one of the children told the teacher at school they had company come in from Arkansas and when the children got up for breakfast, all that was left was some coffee. Don't this beat hell.

We attended the funeral of Dad Monan, held at the Welsh Funeral Parlors Sunday afternoon, to pay our respects to a friend that we have known for 18 years. It is so that all cannot be rich in this world's goods and Dad was one of those. However, he left behind him a large family and many friends who shed tears of regret at his sudden passing. He had had many ups and downs since we have known him and never has there been a time when he was not smiling and believing it might have been worse. Like most of us, he had his faults, but at heart, he was kind and gentle. He was a Confederate soldier, but there was present no comrades to sound taps, no files and drums to play the Confederate battle song of "The Girl I Left Behind Me" as he passed on. The beautiful flowers that covered his casket will soon wither and in time with the body return to the dust from which they came.

The fare for airplane travel has been appreciably reduced, with the result that more passengers are being carried by air than ever before. It may be that the airplane has sounded the knell of the railroad, saving as a means for handling slowly-moving freight. The passing of the railroad is hard to comprehend as a possibility, but what happened to passenger traffic on the canals?

Last issue of The Standard carried a paragraph about a white woman of St. Louis being in Skeston to solicit money to uplift fallen negro girls. A reader of The Standard called the office to say that was a monstrous undertaking as they are falling much faster than the uplifters can come to the rescue. However, she said, there was a number of female dogs in the city running at large that should be uplifted or something done. This for the attention of the Chief of Police.

Who can remember back in the pioneer days when men were men and settled their arguments with six-shooters? Every time they made a killing they added a notch to their gun. How times have changed. Willie takes his lacquered sweetie out in his new sport roadster and comes home with another notch added to the steering wheel. That's progress.—Paris Mercury.

"Any good shooting on your farm?" asked the hunter of a farmer. "Splendid," replied the farmer. There's a threshing machine salesman down in the meadow; a farm relief congressman in the hay loft; a vacuum cleaner peddler in the house; a radio salesman coming in the front gate; a candidate down at the barn and two tramps in the corn crib.—Need any shells?—Auxvasse Review.

The Appeal does not agree with those who so vigorously condemn Judge Ben Lindsey for the disturbance he caused in Bishop Manning's aristocratic cathedral in New York Sunday night. We are of the opinion that a man whose character and motives are assailed in a church is entitled to the privilege of defending himself in that church and before the same people, just as a man whose character and conduct are condemned before a jury in a court of justice has the privilege of facing his accuser and, if possible, of refuting his charges. For Bishop Manning to hold Lindsey up to public odium and then answer his plea for a chance to give his side of the case by dismissing the congregation and letting him be hustled off to jail was just as unrighteous and unthinkable as for a judge to adjourn court and send the defendant off to prison immediately after the prosecution has stated its case. Even partisan newspapers show better sportsmanship than the bishop did. When they attack the policies or purposes of a man with whom they differ their rule is to let him make reply, if he desires, through their own columns. We have no desire to defend Judge Lindsey's position on divorce, marriage and kindred topics. We are not sufficiently acquainted with them to discuss them in an intelligent way. We do know, however, that Bishop Manning violated every principle of justice, religion and fair play when he condemned the man so viciously and denied him the right to make a defense. That the Bishop was not planning his Sunday night meeting as an advertisement for the Gospel of Peace and Good Will was evidenced by the fact that he had asked for and secured a lot of policemen in plain clothes to mingle with his congregation. The net result of his Unchristian conduct will be a fresh demand for Judge Lindsey's books and additional prejudice against sensational preachers of his type.—Paris Appeal.

The keel of a thirty thousand ton ship has been laid, and when it begins its work, men will wonder at what progress has accomplished. It might be well to consider, also, what ancient mariners accomplished before the days of enlightenment. Few who travel in comfort on the new vessel would be willing to sail unknown seas in the tiny caravels of Columbus, or push from Scandinavia toward New England in the shallops of the Vikings.

An exciting incident occurred at the postoffice this morning about nine o'clock, when Cricket Hicks attempted to put a grasshopper on Miss Flutie Belcher.—Commercial Appeal.

An ample young female ambled down the streets of Malden donned in beach pajamas and Paul Morris was so shocked he wrote about it. Simon Loebe took it up in his Charleston Warble and said she ought to have the bosom of her pants kicked. Paul comes back with the wail that she was too hefty and he was too light for such exercise to be safe. Paul would have passed the lady up with merely a passing glance had it been the fourth of July and had Malden been a seaport or even a river town, but Malden was 1000 miles from the sea, 57 miles from a river and 10 miles from a creek, and "It was in the bleak November". No wonder the instance hit him up. The only way we cannot account for Simon's ire is that she put on the show in Malden instead of Charleston. Now, if she had worn such garb in Skeston, Caruthersville, Jackson or Bloomfield, not one word would have been published about it, but perhaps some fatherly old men in those towns would have talked the matter over with her personally.—Dexter Statesman.

DONATES TURNIP FIELD
TO SKESTON NEEDY

A Red Cross appeal asking that turnip patches be turned over to destitute persons was met Saturday with an offer on the part of E. P. Coleman who allowed dozens of needy persons to glean leftovers from the place. A truckload of turnip pullers left Skeston for the Coleman plantation early Saturday morning, to be followed later by additional carloads. Frank W. Van Horne, C. E. Brenton and Lyle Malone offered their personal cars to transport the workers free of charge.

One group of workers pulled about 75 bushels of turnips receiving their pay in groceries and foodstuffs at the expense of the Red Cross, which thus paid for the labor.

Another group, mostly negro workers, worked free of charge for the turnips alone. The vegetables gathered by the latter group are to be "holed in" for use of the needy in Sunset Addition.

CHARGE TWO EMBEZZLED

Dexter, December 12.—Warrants for the arrest of C. B. Cookson, cashier, and Lynn Varble, assistant cashier of the closed Citizens State Bank at Puxico, Stoddard County, were issued late today by Prosecuting Attorney C. A. Powell. They are charged with embezzlement of bank funds and making improper entries in records. The bank closed about ten days ago.

"Bank Examiner C. E. Estes" Powle said, "gave me a preliminary report which indicated a shortage in accounts, but the amount is not definite."

Mrs. Harry Dover, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mrs. Chris Francis and Mrs. Oscar Carroll of Skeston were among the Christmas shoppers in Cape Girardeau today.—Cape Missourian.

The Young People's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet Monday evening with Miss Elizabeth Taylor. All members are expected to be present to help plan a Christmas party.

The Greer school will give a Xmas program and box supper Friday, December 19, at 7:30. Everybody is invited to attend. Come and bring a box and enjoy the fun. A box of candy for the prettiest girl.

SHOE REPAIRMAN
HELD UP BEATEN

E. H. Heller, proprietor of the "shoe shop on wheels", South Kings-highway, fell victim to holdup men late Saturday night.

Heller was unable Monday morning to give a clear account of the affair, but stated that he became suspicious when a group of ruffians continued to "hang around" his shop Saturday night after 11 o'clock. He slipped an old revolver into his pocket, and started home with his day's receipts.

Soon after he left the shop, he was attacked, receiving a bruised nose, a black eye and scratches about the face. He emptied his gun in the general direction of his assailants and finally escaped without losing his money. The case is being investigated by the police.

SNOWFALL BRINGS FIRST
DROVE OF "SNOWBIRDS"

While Southern folks who happen to be making their homes with us in one capacity or another at present were scampering about early Monday morning, and taking huge delight in the season's first snowfall, a trio of genuine "snowbirds" drifted into the city, strange the coincidence, and lodged on the steps of the City Hall.

A frail, rather attractive woman, a small under nourished man, and a peg-leg comprised the trio. They were dopesters, "hop heads" or just plain, ordinary "snowbirds", who had drifted in from Memphis, Tenn., and who were throwing themselves upon the mercy of the Red Cross or any other organization or individual who might possibly give them a shot of cocaine.

They were three pitiable, human derelicts until a small quantity of that magical stuff, "dope" was administered. Then they clambered into their delapidated Ford three entirely different persons, bright eyed and recharged and headed east, "to take the cure" in Alton, Ill.

Rev. and Mrs. Bates of the Methodist church, were visitors to Cape Girardeau.

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—SHOP EARLY WHILE SELECTION IS COMPLETE—

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hillman of Marion, Ill., visited friends in Skeston last week.

Mrs. Charlie Dover will be hostess to a community bridge dinner at her home Friday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. T. C. McClure and children are leaving Saturday for Canada, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. McClure's mother.

Tom Pierce of St. Louis, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Phillips for the past two weeks returned to his home Sunday morning.

Mrs. Betty Matthews will entertain with a family dinner, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen spent the week-end in Cairo visiting Mrs. Allen's mother and brother.

CHRISTMAS
GIFTS

This list but suggests the wealth of holiday merchandise awaiting your visit to our store. If the particular gift you wish to purchase isn't in stock, we can get it for you quickly—saving you hours of search and thousands of weary steps.

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Boudoir Clocks
Compacts and Vanities
Electric Curling Irons
Manicure Outfits
Perfumes
Perfume Atomizers
Perfume Burners

Perfume Sets
Sachets
Smelling Salts
Talc
Toilet Waters
Candy

FOR MEN PARTICULARLY

Bill Folds
Card Cases
Cigars
Cigarettes
Cigarette Cases
Cigarette Holders
Flasks
Key Holders
Playing Cards
Pipes

Razor Strops
Safety Razors
Shaving Brushes
Shaving Sets
(brush, cream, lotion and talcum powder)
Stropers
Tobacco
Tobacco Pouches
Toilet Kits

FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN

Books
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RESOURCES

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS
Loans and discounts on personal and collateral security.....\$649,946.31
Loans on real estate security.....32,200.00
Total loans.....\$ 682,146.31
BONDS
State, County, municipal and other interest-bearing obligations of political subdivisions.....\$380,344.13
Foreign governments (including foreign municipalities).....15,325.00
Railroad and public service.....97,779.16
All other bonds.....82,637.12
Total Bonds.....576,085.41
Furniture and fixtures \$1,441.26.....1,441.26
Cash and due from banks and bankers.....647,428.05
Items in transit.....18,422.88
Other resources Customers' Liberty Bonds.....137,750.00
Total.....\$2,063,273.91

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....\$ 100,000.00
Surplus fund.....100,000.00
Undivided profits, net.....36,900.70
Cashier's checks outstanding.....8,250.00
DEMAND DEPOSITS
Individual deposits subject to check.....\$1,263,104.92
State, County or municipal deposits (secured by pledge of assets of this bank.....89,042.47
State, County or municipal deposits (secured by personal or surety bond).....1,310.98
Due to banks, bankers and trust companies subject to check.....6,011.92
Total demand deposits.....\$1,359,470.29
TIME DEPOSITS
Certificates of deposits (other than for money borrowed).....\$231,107.15
Savings deposits requiring withdrawal notice of 30 days or more.....89,795.77
Total time deposits.....320,902.92
Other liabilities Customer's Liberty Bonds.....137,750.00
Total.....\$2,063,273.91

STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF SCOTT, SS:

We, Chas. D. Matthews, Jr., as president, and A. J. Moore, as assistant cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CHAS. D. MATTHEWS, JR., President
A. J. MOORE, Assistant Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of December A. D. nineteen hundred and thirty.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring March 20, 1932).

CORRECT-ATTEST:

JOS. L. MATTHEWS
E. C. MATTHEWS
BETTIE MATTHEWS

Directors

LACY E. ALLARD, Notary Public.

'GIVE SOMEONE A JOB' IS PLEA OF LOCAL VOLUNTEER RED CROSS WORKERS

It will be a bleak Christmas for hundreds of Sikeston families and the families of farmer-workers near our city. Each hour they come, dejected looking men, frail women with and without children. Each has a pitiful tale of misery and human endurance grabbing at a chance to clothe the family and obtain groceries from the Red Cross.

Each case is investigated. The following is an example of what the investigators find. The little card tells the story. Children, three. Mother deserted. Father looking for work. Cooking done by nine-year-old boy. Oatmeal and water has been an unvarying menu for the tots for several weeks. Recently relatives visited the family, consumed the visible supply of food and departed with the one bed and bed clothing. When asked what the children ate for breakfast the day the family was visited by the Red Cross lady, the 9-year-old provider answered: "We eat walnuts".

In nearly every case the destitute ones ask for work. Any kind of work, house cleaning, carrying out ashes, brushing up the basement chopping wood or any other kind of labor which might provide a dime, a quarter or a dollar with which to buy food and clothing. Every case listed at Red Cross headquarters has been investigated. Those able and willing to work are so listed. Call 526, Red

Cross headquarters, or 418, Miss Fanny Becker or The Standard office, No. 137, and a worker will be sent to your home or place of business. It need not be a steady job. Odd jobs, even though they last only an hour or an afternoon will assist someone temporarily.

It is extremely difficult to paint a word picture of the work being carried on at the old Chamber of Commerce rooms. Men shuffle up to the desk, dejected. They are "whipped" and ready to admit it. Then follows a period of questioning. Frequently children in the family are barefoot. The wife or mother is quite often in need of clothing and shoes.

Many of the cases come in from territory near the city. Sharecroppers find that farm work, repairing fences, or farm machinery is needed but the landowner has no money with which to pay. The tenant drifts to the city out of work, out of money and destitute as far as providing clothing for his children is concerned.

Those who have not yet donated old clothing or made possible the purchase of underwear, shoes and groceries, need only spend a few minutes at headquarters to find out that the volunteer workers are not squandering the present supply and to reach the conclusion that it will be a mighty sorry Christmas for many in this district.

WORK FOR WOOD IS NEW RED CROSS PLAN

Under a plan advanced Monday morning by C. E. Brenton, Scott County Red Cross Chairman, destitute persons may obtain wood for fuel and small wages by applying for work at the Matthews Wagon Yard on Malone Avenue, where Frank W. Van Horne has been placed in charge of

this branch of relief work.

The plan consists simply of cutting and hauling wood from a tract of land near Salcedo, turned over to the Red Cross by the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber Company to relieve suffering from lack of fuel. Tenant farmers in need of wood and groceries are urged to secure a team and wagon from their landlords. The wood will be readily available, and in addition, needy persons can earn a small amount daily in foodstuffs. No

money will be paid.

One day's work will entitle the workman to a ticket good for groceries. It will be a work order used in place of money.

The plan is to haul the wood to Highway 60, either near Morehouse or Brown Spur, and have trucks or wagons haul it to the wagon yard here for distribution.

Those who need fuel will of course be permitted to haul it home. Others who wish to work for food will cut

and haul the wood to the wagon yard or to the sub-station on the highway from where it will be transported to Sikeston. Several Sikeston truckmen have donated their services for one or two days to make the short haul into the city.

AN AIRPLANE, SANTA

Dear Santa:

Please send me an airplane so I can learn to fly, for that is my great aim

in life. Also bring me a stopper gun and some extra stoppers so I can do some hunting. Santa, please don't forget my poor little pals, Hubert Boyer and Colone' McMullin.

With lots of love,

EARL LIMBAUGH.

A change in typewriter face styles every five years is suggested by the bureau of standards as a means of tracing documents and preventing frauds.

HOLD LAST RITES FOR 'DAD' MONAN

Joshua Cas, better known to a number of Sikestonians as "Dad" Monan, died Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Levy Talley, at the age of 77 years, 4 months and 10 days. He was born in Kentucky, August 2, 1853, served honorably for a lost cause, that of the Southern Confederacy, and moved to Missouri making his home in the vicinity of Sikeston.

For the past several years Dad had been unable to work. His health began to fail and last Friday he breathed his last.

Surviving are his wife and nine children, Mrs. Levy Talley of this city, Evelyn and Myrtle of Detroit, Mich., Maggie of Muskegon and five sons, O. O. Taylor of Edinburgh, Texas, Thomas, Cleve, William and M. L. Monan of Pamoia, Calif.

Services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Welsh Funeral Parlor with Rev. J. A. Duncan officiating. Interment in Sikeston City Cemetery.

MARKED BIRD IS SHOT BY HAROLD LOVEACE SUN

A banded Canadian goose fell victim to a hunter's gun Sunday. Harold Lovelace of Charleston brought the bird to earth and states that the aluminum band carried the following mark: "Be not afraid, only believe". Mark 5:36. Write box 48 Kingsville, Ontario, Canada. Two snow white geese were also killed by the Mississippi County hunter.

Ira D. Clark, of Stoddard County, was a business visitor Saturday and while here, paid The Standard an appreciated call.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Matthews and Miss Sadie Emory were called to Memphis Saturday evening on account of the death of Mrs. Alfred Emory.

...Lair Store News...

"That Interesting Store"

Home Furnishings—Our 1st Year in Sikeston

Magazine racks, smoking stands and other novelties were running low hence another good size order was sent in. The new goods are here today to sell at popular prices of \$2.50 and up. Every one is good value.

Furnishing complete outfits for housekeepers is a hobby with our salesmen. 32 years' experience in that line of work has taught us some lessons that we are glad to pass on to customers who are willing to take advice. It costs nothing extra.

Good used ranges are always salable. Sometimes we wish we had more of them. Just now, however, we are selling new cast iron ranges at a price lower than that of used ones that are good. Families that need a good cook stove at a low price (there are many of them) should come in and see what we have left from the Rose stock.

Lane cedar chests are nationally advertised and as a matter of fact, they are the best the market affords. 1930 Holiday Models are certainly attractive and prices are lower this year than you will expect.

Our "special" in pull up chairs and occasional rockers at \$12.50 is not equalled elsewhere for less than \$18.00. Every housekeeper who examines them agrees they are beautiful and extremely modest in cost. There are not very many left.

GIFTS THAT LAST. That's what we have to offer all down the line and every one of them will perform some actual service in the well ordered home. INVESTING your money in Christmas gifts is better than merely SPENDING it—for "gimcracks".

There are a lot of beautiful mirrors in stock for holiday demands and we are going to sell them. Price will have a lot to do with sales. Look over the goods and price tags and you will see what we mean.

A view down the principal business streets of Sikeston on Saturday night reminds one of crowds in much larger cities and is unusual for a city of this size. It goes to prove that there are many, many people who come here to transact their business and while their purses may be rather lean at this writing, it is evident that when the economic change does come, Sikeston will be "setting pretty".

Yuletide Pageant at the CHRISTMAS STORE



For Boys

Suits	Raincoats
Topcoats	Pants
Shirts	Play Suits
Hats	Underwear
Caps	Ties
Sweaters	Tie Sets

For Girls

Coats	Underwear
Dresses	Baby Dresses
Hats	Baby Coats
Berets	and Other
Sweaters	Necessities

For Men

Men's Robes
Men's Furnishings
Men's Suits
Men's Topcoats
Men's Hats
Men's Shoes
Shirts
Shirt Ensembles
Men's Luggage
Neckwear
Mufflers

Dresses
Coats
Hats
Shoes
Boudoir Slippers
Children's Shoes
Brassieres
Garter Sets
Corsettes
Girdles
Wool Robes
Silk Robes
Negligees
Coolie Coats

FOR WOMEN

Glove Silk Underwear
Rayon Underwear
Silk Lingerie
Hand-Made Underwear
Sweaters
Skirts
Blouses
Smocks
House Dresses
Fur Scarfs
Fur Coats
Evening Apparel

Toiletries
Compacts
Traveling Cases
Neckwear
Scarfs
Novelty Jewelry
Dress Flowers
Leather Bags
Evening Bags
Hosiery
Gloves
Women's Luggage

Not many days remain until Christmas and so that gifts may be chosen with the least trouble we have planned a special listing of articles particularly appropriate for gifts. They are conveniently grouped for your selection and offer a wealth of suggestion to the late shopper. Prices are in many cases much lower than usual for merchandise of this type so there is every advantage in choosing now.

THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO.

SIKESTON, MISSOURI

This Store Will Be Open Every Night Until 10 O'clock, Beginning Tonight, Until Christmas

SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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Scott County, Missouri, as second-
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Reading notices, per line.....10c
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DECEMBER 1930						
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As the contract has been signed and bond approved for the light and power plant, The Standard would like to offer a motion to the City Council to pay a bonus to City Attorney Bailey for extra services given to this cause. Then we would like to see the Council pass, or amend present ordinances, to make the salary of the Mayor and the City Attorney each \$900 per year if no more. There will be many vexatious questions arise in the future that will require much of the time of the Mayor and City Attorney and they should be paid a sum more in keeping with the duties they perform.

A fellow can never tell when a thing is loaded. For instance, a certain young man of this city, who is particularly fond of chocolates, called on a young lady recently and asked her to bring out a box of candy that she had in her room. Yes, of course she would. Near at hand was a reasonable supply of ex-lax, a powerful chocolate laxative and a liberal amount of this chocolate dynamite was placed among the top layer of candy and the box passed to Buddy. The ex-lax appeared to be more appealing and the young man ate heartily of it. He soon became ill at ease and left for home early. He can now testify that ex-lax will do all the manufacturers claim for it, and more. And, again, this may be a new way to send the boy friend home a couple of hours earlier than usual.

Merchants and commission men in large cities are turning over to a civic committee all damaged fruit and vegetables at the close of the day's business to be given to those in need of food. In St. Louis hundreds stand in line when this food is to be distributed to get a portion of it. Specked potatoes, spotted cabbage, off looking apples, and the like not merchantable as first class goods, goes to this committee. To cut out the specks and spots means little to the cook and leaves good food to the hungry. The Standard wonders if something of the kind could not be inaugurated in Skeston.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

Fern Garden for Christmas



For Christmas-giving miniature fern (actually growing) gardens are the "big idea" this year. The thought was inspired by the Illupituan Japanese gardens which have ever been an object of admiration. The one pictured is only about 14 inches long. You can buy the wooden framework (outline sketch in upper corner). Removable zink flower box or pan fits in the top. You can have the fun of painting it yourself to give it the appearance of a terraced rockery, using for the purpose sealing wax dissolved in alcohol which gives a handsome lacquered effect. Tiny plants and ferns are planted in the galvanized box in mossy soil. A gayly painted toy bridge and doll-like figures add to the landscape.

AS I SEE IT
By I'm About Town

The author of "Ship Ahoy" made one serious blunder. Anne Beck, modern American girl, is made to say "but what will Auntie say", when her dashing Romeo insists that she accompany him just like that on his voyage to Bel Santo.

Imagine any modern girl saying that.

Instead, she would say, "But honey, I haven't any clothes".

We stand upon our constitutional rights or what have you as an observer.

The two new fire extinguishers recently placed alongside the stage were not needed! Think that over.

Can you read an electric meter, Sam was asked last week. "No, suh, and I don't think they can either", replied the dark skinned one. "All it says on that little card is watt, watt, watt".

In other words, we are trying to discourage hit and run and hip and rum drivers in this decade.

The Boston Transcript pauses to remark "Where would Americans be today if it weren't for prohibition"? Back in America, probably.

Male clerks working in stores should not become unduly excited or filled with unreasonable ego when some smart young things pause for reuection in front of show windows.

An attempt to keep a lot of local boys out of New Madrid and Morehouse by opening a more convenient "honky" north of town has been stopped. Somebody evidently has not been reading our stuff about "keeping Skeston dollars in Skeston".

Come seven.

They tell a story about prohi officers who discovered a big still near a Mississippi County swamp when farmers complained that mosquitoes kept them awake nights humming "Sweet Adeline".

This is to notify our seven hundred and eight friends that 698 asked "did she bite you?" one said "Growing a horn, Art?" and the others were too varied in their expressions of sympathy at our pet boil (under the chin) to be classified.

Didja ever have one of those things and still be required to keep a sweet disposition, or write a review on an amateur show?

The following two gags are lifted bodily from the Frisco Lines magazine:

A framer was hauling a load of fertilizer past an insane asylum. One of the inmates was standing talking with another near the fence. As the farmer went by with his load, one of them yelled at him:

"What have you got there?"

"Fertilizer", answered the farmer.

"What are you going to do with it?"

"Take it to the farm and put it on my strawberries", the farmer replied.

One inmate turned to the other and said, "Can you imagine that. He's going to put that on his strawberries and we put sugar and cream on ours and they put us in here!"

Here's to the memory of Johnny McGuire.

Who ran through the streets with his trousers on fire;

He went to the doctor and fainted with fright.

When the doctor told him his end was in sight!

The Man About Town is suffering from what he thought was a mere \$2 boil. It turned out to be a "Streptococcus Aureus of the chin" worth \$4.50. Isn't science wonderful?

FARMER AND SEED LAW

A. C. Moeller, Bay, Mo., and others, have asked what is the law relating to the Missouri seed act and the farmer—in other words, to what extent is the farmer exempted from the labeling provision of the field seed law?

Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture calls attention more particularly to section 12,127 (R. S. 1919), entitled "Exemptions".

Under sub-section "c" is found special requirements applicable to the farmer, indicating that if any agricultural seeds are advertised for sale or delivered through a common carrier, then the grower as a seller shall be deemed a vendor, and both seed and the seller shall be subject to all the requirements of the seed labeling law.

Miss Anna Johnston Dead

Miss Anna Johnston, 29 years of age, the oldest daughter of J. Forest Johnston, of Bowling Green, died Monday, December 8, at the family home there, after a brief illness of only a week. She had been in declining health for several months past, but her illness was not thought to be serious until a brief while before her death, and friends and relatives in Troy and vicinity, where the family formerly lived, were greatly shocked at the sad news.

Anna was an unusually lovely character. Upon the death of her mother a number of years ago, she took upon herself the responsibility of the home and the rearing of her younger brothers and sisters, some of whom were quite small. Cheerfully, uncomplainingly, competently, she ministered to every one's needs—except her own—and her life was a beautiful example of service and sacrifice, gladly given. Everyone had a word of commendation and admiration for Anna Johnston and she will be sincerely and sadly missed, not only by her family, but by a wide circle of friends as well.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Highland Union Church near Ethlyn, the community in which the Johnstons formerly lived, by Rev. A. W. Darter, of New Bloomfield, a close friend and

former pastor of the family, and burial was in the cemetery adjoining the church.—Troy Press.

A tax of 3 cents per package on cigarettes and one of \$10 a year on dealers will be proposed in our coming session of the legislature by State Senator McKittrick of Salisbury. The same bill will be introduced in the House of Representatives by Aubrey Hammett of Moberly. It is doubtful whether the editorials on the question in this column had anything to do with this matter, but we are glad to see it just the same and hope that it becomes one of our statutes. The increased cost will likely prevent a lot of children from smoking and maybe cut down our own indulgence. The legislation has been urged by parent-teacher associations in many localities as a means of curbing the smoking habit of school children.—Shelbina Democrat.

To be a bad competitor and take advantage of anyone is pretty bad. By grapevine telegraph, we learn that we are considered a bad competitor, and take advantage of others. Well this is for the public to judge. We strive to secure all the business we can in an open and above-board manner, to secure a living price for same, and to treat every advertiser alike. We carry no advertising for outside cities at a less rate than home

merchants are charged is why we secure none of this patronage—and not because we wouldn't accept it. We have nothing to hide as a business concern, a private citizen or otherwise.

It used to be said that it took money to make the mare go. There are so few mare these days, that the money can be used for other purposes. To help others, it will be better to buy food, fuel and warm underclothing, than to give money. If given money, it might be used to fill the old car or buy tobacco. It is no time for foolishness if real relief is to be given, and to expect the few to make up the money is out of the question.

Nothing, we believe, is contributing more to the growing sentiment for prohibition repeal than the dastardly methods to which so many underlings in the enforcement department resort in their zeal for prison recruits. The spectacle of an officer of our great Government beguiling men and women to violate the law in order to get evidence on which to send them to the penitentiary should be just as distressing to the people of this country as would the spectacle of a father placing temptation in the way of a son or daughter in order to get an excuse to punish them for immorality. The officer, not the accused, is the one who should be prosecuted.



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CHRISTMAS BRINGS MANY EVENING AFFAIRS . . .

Have YOUR evening clothes in readiness for the holiday season . . . Dress suit - white and black vests - neckties - spats - dress overcoat, must all be cleaned, pressed and mended, if necessary. ALL ready to hand for the many social events that the Christmas holidays bring forth.



Are Your Dress Clothes Ready?

Look them over now before the mad whirl begins and remember a telephone call to number 705 will bring our courteous driver who will return your cleaned garments in a few days all fresh and new.



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Make the Family Happy WITH A NEW HOME OR A Modernized Old Home

There is no more useful nor appreciated gift for your whole family than a New Home or your old home made modern. Make your application today so you can show the family your plans for Christmas morning.

Sikeston Building and Loan Association

Voted Dividends to its Stockholders Wednesday, Dec. 10 of \$4,426.35. Did you get your share of this Christmas Gift. Also increased their Reserves and Surplus Account by 20 percent.

"I'm So Glad
You're Better"



When you wonder what to do for someone who is ill or downhearted, just remember that one of the best of tonics is a friendly call

by

LONG DISTANCE

You can talk 40 airline miles for 35c*; 70 airline miles for 50c*; and 100 airline miles for 60c*. Long distance telephone rates are based on airline miles and are less per mile as the distance increases.

* This is the day station-to-station rate from 4:30 A. M. to 7 P. M. for a three-minute conversation and applies when you ask to talk with anyone available at the telephone called.

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TELEPHONE COMPANY**

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM CHARLESTON

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the Christian church for Mrs. Mary H. Lee, widow of the late David Lee, who died December 4, at the home of her son, Doss Lee, following a lingering illness of several months. Mrs. Lee was born September 24, 1881. She was a splendid Christian woman and leaves many relatives and friends to mourn her loss. She is survived by the following children: Misses Alice and Evelyn and Doss Lee, all of this city; Jimmie Lee and Mrs. Jennie Hicks of Wilf Island, Harry Lee of Independence; John, Hilary and Frank of Norman, Okla., also one sister, Mrs. John Clevidence of Wolf Island one brother, Jim Hawkins of Wyatt, and her adopted mother, Mrs. Maggie Barrett of Wolf Island. The deceased was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter and the members of this Chapter took part in the funeral services, which were conducted by Rev. R. N. Talbert of Cape Girardeau, pastor of the local Christian church. Lauro Company in charge. Interment in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

S. L. Ketchie of Dongola, Ill., spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. M. A. Drane has returned from an extended visit in Jefferson City.

W. M. Head of Bradford, Ill., spent the latter part of the week in this city.

Will Stricker, who has been visiting relatives here, has returned to his home in Chicago.

Mrs. Ben Perkins of Diehlstadt was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leo Carr, for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilkinson and children of Cairo were the week-end guests of relatives in this city.

Bailey Wilkinson, Jr., and mother Mrs. Bailey Wilkinson, Sr., are visiting in Fort Smith, Ark., this week.

Frank and Howlett Thompson, who have been staying near New Madrid, spent Sunday at their home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Byrd, Miss Helen Chapman and Paul Handy Moore were dinner guests Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, in Sikeston.

An eye clinic will be held at the court house in this city, December 18. Dr. Meyer Weiner, Director of Prevention for Missouri Commission for the Blind, will be in charge. This clinic is being held in conjunction with the Mississippi County Health Department, and is for all ages.

Mrs. T. Ben Brewer entertained with a bridge party, Friday. The game was played at five tables. The guests list included all the members of the Friday Bridge Club and Misses Grace Danforth, Ida Deal and Inez Andrews, Mesdames J. J. Russell, A. W. Chapman, Charles Trickey, Paul B. Moore, R. B. Boyce, Garland Noland, Frank Ashby, Ben Moore and Leslie Fox. Mrs. Wilbur Johnson of Kansas City was an out-of-town guest.

Members of the Saturday Bridge Club were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Byron Howlett. During the game which was played at seven tables, Mrs. Bailey Wilkinson, Jr., captured the high score prize, Mrs. Harry Bryant, the low score prize, while Mrs. Waller Sprague was awarded the visitor's prize. Mrs. Howlett was assisted in serving refreshments by Mesdames John Harris Marshall and Gunter Simpson. Quite a number of invited guests were present with the members.

A Chicago cafe slips a small "no smoking" sign under the plate of women customers.

A 30 per cent increase over normal in wheat seeding throughout Boone County and Central Missouri is indicated, according to milling companies. Seedings were completed about a month ago and much early seeded land has been used as pasture.

Christmas Gift De Luxe



Of all decorative and exquisite wares shown in the gift shops this season, there is none handsomer than that of ebony black glass with a designful patterning done in sterling silver inlay. A choice little piece, a bonbon dish, perhaps, or shapely vase, is sure to be appreciated by the recipient, while an elaborate console set as pictured is a Christmas gift de luxe.

MEN GET 3 YEARS FOR STEALING DOGS

Charleston.—A special term of circuit court was convened here Tuesday with Judge Frank Kelly of Cape Girardeau presiding and several cases were disposed of. One of the most interesting was that of Oscar and Jesse Trousdale, charged with stealing some coon dogs and a shotgun from Paul Davis of Charleston.

The men were arrested in Arkansas and brought back to Charleston. They entered pleas of guilty of grand larceny and were sentenced to two years each in the State penitentiary. Jesse Trousdale was being held in Benton jail on another charge and escaped jail there last Saturday, later being picked up in Arkansas with Oscar.

Two other cases of larceny are pending against these men.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were those of William Taylor, charged with stealing cows from Charles Volker of Bertrand. He was found guilty and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Ike Thomas of Wyatt was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of stealing hogs from Thomas Daniels, a farmer living in the Texas Bend district.

The case of Beverly Jones, also charged with the theft of hogs, was continued to the February term of court.

Othel Baggett and Charles Hatfield, Cairo men, charged with possession of a still, who were arrested opposite Twenty-eighth street several weeks ago, were sentenced to serve three months each in the Mississippi county jail.

DONATIONS TO SIKESTON WORKING PEOPLE'S CHURCH

The following is a list of the cash contributors to the new Sikeston Church for Working People—The Pentecostal Church of God. Also, expenses incurred, not including the ten or twelve dollars I have been out for postage and stationery and having my typewriter repaired and new ribbon inserted. These expenses came out of my own personal account and has been donated. Also \$50 worth of time in raising money donated by myself.

Receipts:

Lyle Malone	\$ 5.00
R. L. Ward, Caruthersville	1.00
H. J. Welsh	5.00
H. D. Rodgers, Benton	5.00
Arthur Capper, Topeka, Kas.	5.00
J. W. Faris, Bloomfield	1.00
H. C. Young	5.00
Cecil C. Reed, Benton	5.00
Elmos Taylor	1.50
S. W. Applegate	5.00
O. L. Spencer	5.00
G. A. Dempster	5.00
R. E. Bailey	5.00
Geo. W. Pearman, Blodgett	2.00
M. E. Montgomery, Benton	5.00
Emil Steck, Benton	10.00
Graber's Store	5.00
J. F. Fulbright, Doniphan	10.00
A. Greener's & Sons	10.00
Buckner-Ragsdale Store	10.00
E. F. Schorle	10.00
C. H. Yanson	1.00
T. A. Wilson	1.00
Louis P. Gober, Vanduser	.50
Harry Kobota	1.50

For Christmas
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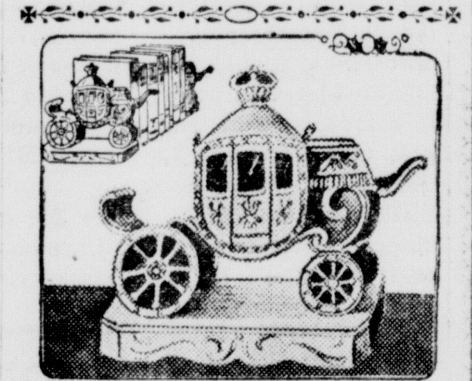
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J. Sherwood Smith, Benton	10.00
Whiz Bang Store	2.50
Brown Jewell	1.00
Sterling's Variety Store	10.00
T. F. Henry	5.00
McKnight-Keaton Gro. Co.	5.00
Weil Clothing Co., St. Louis	1.00
Marion Jewel	2.00
Sterling's Variety Store	10.00
White's Drug Store	5.00
I. Becker	.50
Steve Rodgers, Benton	1.00
People's Store	1.00
Kroger Gro. & Baking Co.	15.00
Andres' Meat Market	1.00
Harry Lampert	1.00
Ex-Governor Gardner, St. Louis	25.00
Leek's Hardware Store	1.00
Jake Goldstein	.25
Blue Jay Confectionery,	
Charleston	.25
M. H. Wigdor, Charleston	1.00
Libson Hosiery Shop, Cape	1.00
Wolff Furn. Co., Cape	1.00
Style Rite, Cape	1.00
Mr. Townsend, Cape	7.00

Total Receipts in cash...\$214.00
The following expenses have been incurred—money paid out:

Disbursements:
Mrs. A. R. Held, for option and rental on lots 18 and 19, in McCoy-Tanner's 3rd add., Sikeston, where we have bargained for lots on which to erect church building...\$3.00
Expense of 2 ladies to Cape Girardeau soliciting, going on Frisco train, also expense of 2 more ladies to Cape Girardeau and Charleston, in

Stage Coach Book-Ends



From all indications Santa is going to make a specialty of giving stagecoach book ends this Christmas. They are too clever for words, these book ends, which stand a decorative little coach at each end of a row of books, for the stagecoach, be it of royal lineage like the one pictured or of thoroughly American pioneer descent, is taking the place of the at-one-time favorite ship as a decorative feature in the home.

automobile	7.00
Total	\$10.00
Total cash donations	\$214.00
Total disbursements	10.00
Total cash on hand	\$204.00

This amount of \$204.00 is on deposit in the Bank of Sikeston, to the credit of building fund. Just ask them about it.

Apparatus for showing "talkies" pictures during the school year is being installed at Minnesota State College.
Oklahoma City Legionnaires are to pay the costs of a college education for a youth selected from the State training school.
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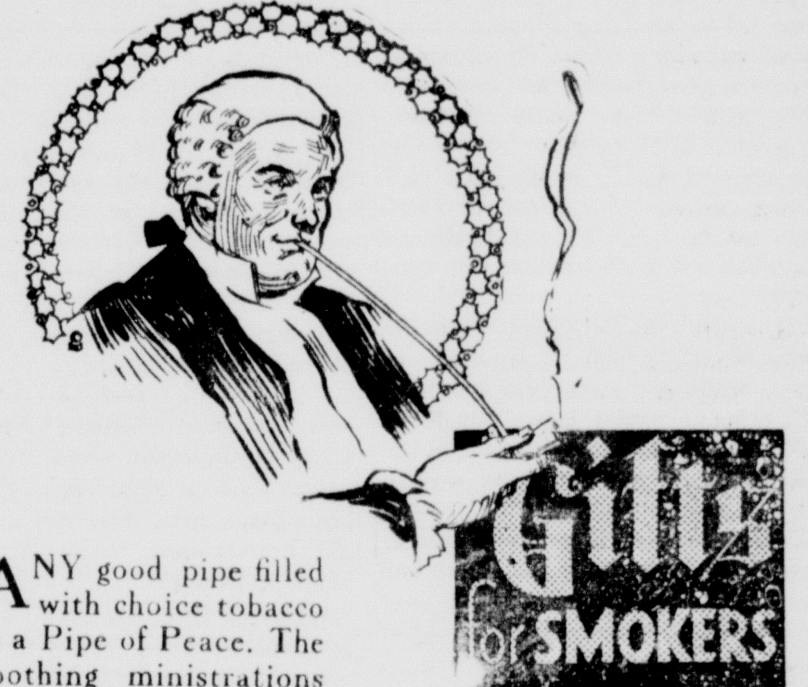
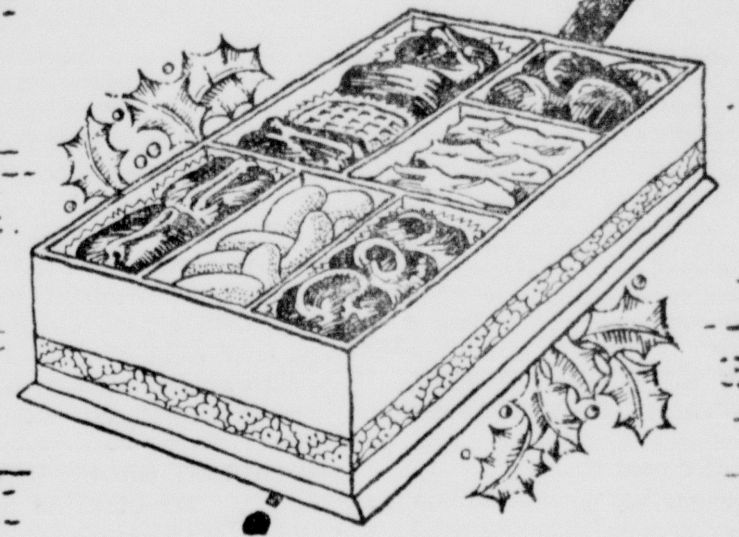
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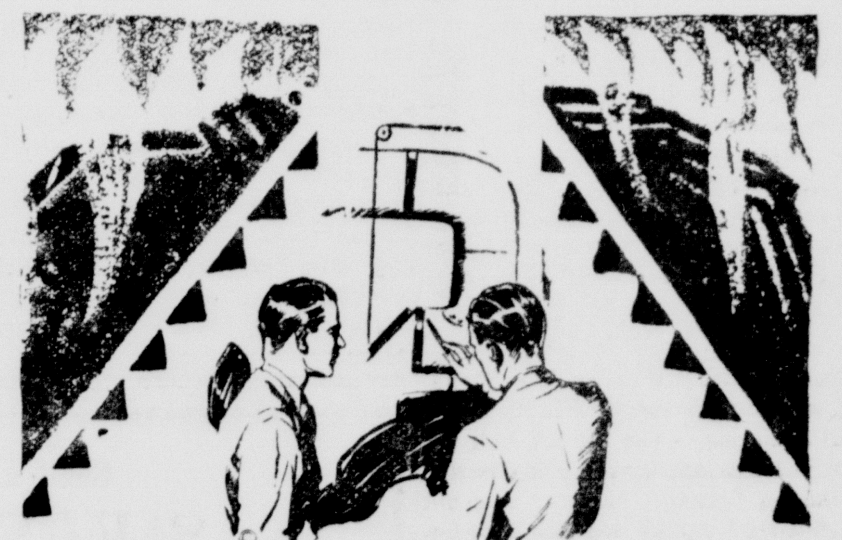


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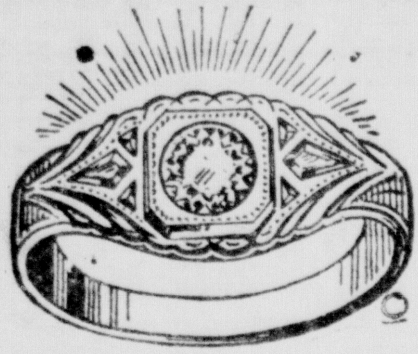
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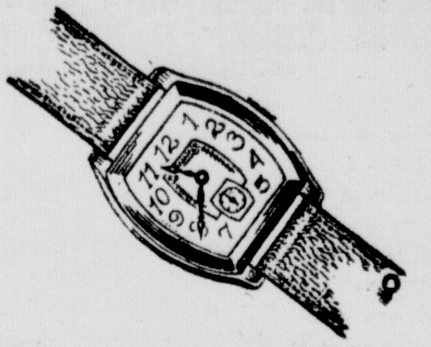
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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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ATTACKS CITY ASSESSOR

Editor Skeston Standard:

Have you had occasion to look over
the tax assessor's book of this city?
If you have not, you will be greatly
surprised to learn the different values
placed on homes. Here on my street
there are good homes that cost from
\$3000 to \$4000 to build that are
assessed at \$700 to \$900. One home
not assessed at all, another lot con-
taining one acre of land and on which
there are five or six good dwellings,
this whole lot is assessed at less than
\$2000.

My home built in 1928 and costing
approximately \$4000 is assessed a
\$1800, while my next door neighbor
built a home costing him about \$3200
not including a tenant house in the
rear which he rents, but the assess-
ment on this lot is only \$700.

The assessor's home on Gladys
Street was built just prior to the
erection of my home and cost ap-
proximately the same amount, yet it
is assessed at \$1000.

The E. E. Arthur and O. M. Arthur
homes across the street from me, are
assessed at \$1500, each, which is too
high, the same as my home.

It seems to me that the City Dads
would wake up and look into these
assessments so that the burden of
taxation would not be placed upon a
selected few.

Myself and other citizens living on
this street had our lawyer appear be-
fore equalization board after the as-
sessment were made, but our city
assessor was there also and stated
that the assessments could not be low-
ered, yet that did not keep him from
raising some \$700 assessments and
assessing the Vowel property which
was not assessed at all.

We, Citizens of Moore Avenue, do
not mind paying our part of the tax-
es due the city, but we do object to a
one-sided partial plan as has been
adopted by our present assessor.

I think the records will bear out
all I've said about this matter. So let
us tell the people about it and if it is
wrong, correct it.

MOORE AVENUE CITIZEN

The Standard editor is not building
the light plant building, distributing
system, or anything, therefore, is un-
able to give employment to men who
call at this office. Wish it was so that
we could help every one who needs
work and we hope work will soon
start on the system that local help
can get busy.

In the Friday issue of The Stand-
ard was a news story of Lefty Fuhr,
local radio man, who pitched ball for
New Orleans last season being traded
to Dallas, Texas. The story was not
finished as it would lead people to be-
lieve Lefty would soon travel South
and leave the city. Such is not the
case, as he has his wife and two chil-
dren pleasantly located here and ex-
pects to make this his permanent
home. It is true he will be out of
the city for a while during the sum-
mer months, but his family will be
here and his place of business open at
all times with Bill Shain in active
charge.

Mother Jones died a few days ago
in Maryland, near Washington, D. C.,
at the age of more than a hundred,
her long life having been devoted to
the cause of organized labor. She
had taken part in many a turbulent
strike, yet so well did she conduct
herself, that even her enemies spoke
kindly of her efforts, and she in turn
was broad enough to recognize the
virtues of her sometime foes. The
miners trooped from all parts of Ill-
inois to participate in the laying-
away of Mother Jones, and their
tribute was not idle or perfunctory,
for it meant the loss of a working day
at a time when working days are not
to be scoffed at.

WILL PLAY CHARITY CAGE GAME AN. 1

A charity benefit basketball game
has been proposed by school authori-
ties for the afternoon of January 1
at the High School gymnasium. Local
High School basketball teams are to
meet alumni teams, boys and girls
all proceeds to be given to charity.

Bill Baker will probably captain
the boys alumni team meeting Coach
Cunningham's regulars, while Mrs.
M. C. Cunningham, former cage star
and later coach of girls' athletics, is
to draft former members of her squad
to meet Miss Moore's veterans.

METHODIST GROUP MEETS TO DISCUSS SCOUTING

The Troop Committee for the Boy
Scout troop sponsored by the Board
of Stewards of the Methodist church
met Thursday night with the Scout
Executive to learn more of their du-
ties. Dr. B. F. Blanton was elected
Chairman of the Troop Committee,
Harry Dover will be the education
member, Earl Allen, finance and re-
cords; Wallace Applegate, activities
and Chris Francis, property and
equipment. A Scoutmaster will be
selected later.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate
visited in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mrs. Mack Higgins, Mrs. Theodore
Higgins and little daughter and Mrs.
Jake Sutton were Cape Girardeau
shoppers, Friday.

Mesdames R. C. Matthews and Em-
ma Kendall visited Mrs. Tillman An-
derson in the Southeast Missouri Hos-
pital, Cape Girardeau.

Mesdames Earl Malone, Earl John-
son, E. G. Buchanan, Miss Lillian
Putnam and Paul David Malone spent
Saturday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. C. L. Malone returned from
Jefferson City Saturday, where she
attended a meeting of the executives
of the State Legion Auxiliary.

Mesdames Betty Matthews and
Jane Mills will be hostess to a Lotto
party at the Hotel Marshall Wednes-
day afternoon. Game starts at 2:00
o'clock. The public is cordially in-
vited.

Miss Virgin Swaim, Miss Florence
Withdrow with Raymond Hall and
Rhodes Wagner motored to Big
Springs, Missouri State Park and
Holmes Cave, Sunday. They were the
guests of Dr. Wagner at Greenville
for a six o'clock dinner Sunday night.

The many friends of Mrs. Tillman
Anderson will be pleased to learn
that her condition is satisfactory. She
is a patient in the Southeast Missouri
Hospital, where she underwent an
operation last Thursday. Her condi-
tion was critical for several hours af-
ter the operation.

Mrs. Ethel Rooft and Maste-
Charlie Haase, 2209 West Madison
Street, Chicago, visited with her
niece, Miss Essie Frazer at the Le-
roy Moore home last week. Mrs.
Rooft spent Saturday night in Dex-
ter with her brother, Rev. Frazer
Sunday they returned to Chicago
Miss Essie Frazer accompanying
them.

CITY LIGHTS ON BUT UTILITY CONTINUES UNDER FRANCHISE

Campbell, December 12.—Confl-
ing arrangements with the municipal
plant and a contract with a power
company have made Campbell "the
best lighted town in Southeast Mis-
souri".

The City recently completed a mu-
nicipal power plant and street lighting
system. The new street lights have
been turned on, but the lights provid-
ed by the Arkansas-Missouri Power
Co. remain in service, the utility's
franchise is not expiring for four
years.

Lights of the power company and
the city plant illuminate Campbell
brilliantly, even to the outlying dis-
tricts.

Officials of the municipal plant and
the power company have reached a
tentative agreement whereby the
company will reduce the number of
street lights to the minimum unde-
r its franchise. In the meantime, the
city plant will continue to operate its
system.

Miss Musette Martin of Sedalia is
the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. P. Van
Arsdale, Sr.

BOY SCOUTS PERFORM GOOD DEED SATURDAY

Two groups under the leadership
of David Keasler and Charles Allen
Cook, spent Saturday afternoon pull-
ing turnips on the Ed P. Coleman
farm, in connection with a Red Cross
plan for obtaining the vegetables to
feed needy persons in this vicinity.
Keasler's Scouts won the prize for
having pulled the most turnips. White
volunteers, the Scouts and a group
of workers from Sunset Addition
brought in three large truckloads of
of turnips which will be distributed
later.

Mesdames J. L. Brown, Clarence E.
Felker, Harry Dover and Miss Ruth
Inez Felker visited in Cape Girardeau,
Thursday.

Dr. Edward Martin, chiropractor, of
St. Louis, has rented a suite of rooms
in the McCoy-Tanner Building and
expects to open his office there De-
cember 29.

Doc Brydon, with the Post-Dispatch,
of St. Louis, was in the city Monday
in the interest of his paper. He and
his family have moved back to Bloom-
field and he is working the territory
from that point.

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Condensed Financial Statement of the Condition of SIKESTON TRUST COMPANY SIKESTON, MO.

at close of business Dec. 10th, 1930

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$183,217.78
Bonds (customers)	3,700.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,190.00
Overdrafts	NONE
Other Resources	4,909.17
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	92,684.41
Total	\$286,701.36

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	29,357.46
Deposits	203,025.56
Secretary's Checks	618.34
Bonds (customers)	3,700.00
Bills Payable	NONE
Total	\$286,701.36

AUXILIARY MEETING

The Auxiliary of the American Le-
gion will have their regular meeting
at the home of Mrs. T. A. Martin on
Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
All members are urged to come to
this meeting.

A PRISONER IS RETURNED

Sam Nunnery, representative of
the State Prison of Jackson, Miss.,
arrived Monday morning to accom-
pany J. T. Fox, escaped negro cor-
vict, back to prison. Fox was de-
tained on suspicion by Constable
Brown Jewell, who made the arrest
last Friday.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Call
317. tf.

FOR RENT—5-room house, light and
water on Gladys Street. 1 block from
school. Phone 579.

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms
near shoe factory, bath, water and
light.—825 Greer Avenue.

WANTED TO RENT—150 acres
good corn land. Bottoms preferred.
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FOR RENT—Wm. Pharris house.
Corner School and Gladys Streets.
See C. O. Scott, Skeston Trust Co. tf.

FOR RENT—Rooms furnished for
light housekeeping. Phone 317.—
Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield. 2t. T. and F.

LOST—Blue coin purse, containing \$5
in currency, small change, receipts
Lost near Southside Kroger and Miss
Garden's Millinery Shop.

CHRISTMAS CAKES—Order for all
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GIDEON LINVILLE

Gideon Linville, 88 years old of
near Miner Switch, died Monday
morning at 6:00 o'clock. He is the
father of William Linville of this
city. Funeral services had not been
completed today, but will be held
either Tuesday or Wednesday with
interment in Thistlewood Cemetery
near Mounds, Ill. The E. A. Burke
Funeral Service of Cairo will be in
charge.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The Hi-League of the Methodist
Church will sponsor the Carol singing
this year. They will sing on Christ-
mas Eve night between the hours of
7:00 and 8:00 o'clock. They plan to
sing in certain centers of town.

EARL FRANKLIN HUNTER

Earl Franklin Hunter, employed
until recently in the International
hoe Factory plant here, succumbed
Sunday following a short illness with
pneumonia. Hunter was married two
years ago, and leaves his wife, Ella
Hunter, and small daughter, Mary
Jane, to mourn his death. His moth-
er, Mrs. Maggie Harvey and step-
father, John Harvey of Parma, and
two brothers, Ira and Clarence, also
survive. Funeral services were con-
ducted at the home on Short Street,
Skeston, at 2:30 o'clock Monday af-
ternoon with Rev. J. A. Duncan of-
ficiating. Interment in the Skeston
City Cemetery with Albritton in
charge.

IN POLICE COURT

Jack Hazel, arrested on a charge of
being drunk and disorderly Sunday,
pleaded guilty to the charges Mon-
day morning and was fined \$12.

The case of City vs. Hildreth Dill
was continued indefinitely. Dill is
charged with being drunk.

Kennett—Ely-Walker garment fac-
tory resumed operations.

Georgetown County of South Caro-
lina has its first pavement, one mile
of the King's Highway having been
given a hard surface.

FOR RENT—Completely furnished, 5-
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FOR SALE—Model A Ford truck
good condition and good rubber
Priced reasonable.—Wade Shankle at
S. & M. Store. tf.

WANTED—Position as stenographer,
bookkeeper, or general office work.
Experience. Apply at The Standard
office. 2t on M. pd.

WANTED—3 roomers and boarders
—Mrs. R. E. Limbaugh, 228 Scott
Street. tf.

FOR RENT—4-room house, lights,
water. Phone 361.—Tom Meyers, 424
North Prairie. tf.

FOR RENT—Furnished 5-room
apartment including bath and steam
heat.—T. A. Slack, phone 609W.

FOR SALE—Handmade doll lights,
pillows, pin cushions, parrots, etc.—
Mrs. F. H. Cole, 625 Prosperity. tf.



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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 11 years of age. I go to school every day at McMullin. I love my teacher. Her name is Mrs. Susie Chene. I am a fine little girl and loved by all who know me. I have many friends. Santa, all I'm going to ask you for this year is only a few gifts that I really need and I hope you will grant my few requests. I want a fountain pen, which I need in school and a nice three-cornered scarf and some candy and nuts and apples and oranges.

JEAN MARGARET BEERY

Dear Old Santa:

I'm a little tot and very cute and smart. I live with my grandparents and I love them so much. I want a little red wagon to haul in wood for my grandmother and mother. And I want a great big red rubber ball.

JERRY WAYNE USREY.

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I'm a little boy of 5 years old and Santa I go to school every day at McMullin. My teacher's name is Miss Lucille Woods and I sure think lots of her. I am a fine little boy with pretty blue eyes. Now Santa, just a few presents I will ask for as I feel there's ever so many little boys that would be so thankful for a real good dinner and all I want dear Santa is a good pair of overshoes to wear to school and a nice big rubber ball so I can play with my little brother, Jerry Wayne, and I have a little sister, Jean Margaret. She helps me with my studies and please don't forget her. Now I want a little horn to blow and plenty of candies and nuts and oranges and apples and please don't forget all the other dear little boys and girls.

JAMES WESLEY USREY.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. Will go to school next year and will sure be glad. I have been a good girl this year and want you to bring me a tricycle, a chair, a doll and a little dresser and set of dishes. Also bring lots of fruit, nuts and candy.

MARTHA ELLEN CLODFELTER

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be good and think you should bring me a few things I wish. Won't you please bring me a basketball, a little red wagon and a

trailer, a real one, to use with my little blue roadster. But most of all Santa, I want you to keep the girls away. I don't know what to do with 'em. Please don't forget my cousin George.

CLIFFORD PROFFER

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I am not very good, but I will try to be better this next year. I am seven years old. Please bring me a doll, a collar for my dog, a doll bed, a sewing machine and a doll quilt. I will try to be better if I get a Christmas tree. You will find my stocking hanging on the chair. Please don't forget the poor children.

MARY HELEN WAGNER.

My Dear Santa:

I am a little boy, 22 years old. I want you to bring me an aeroplane for Xmas. You don't need to bring me any lollypops for I will get part of Tricie's. Now Santa, don't mistake me. I want a real aeroplane so I can take these good looking girls for a ride. Santa, I live at Risco, but I suppose I will be at Tricies Xmas. Don't forget me.

JESSE KNIGHT.

P. S.: I'd like to have a doll and some tinkler toys.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy just 21 years old. I am a good little boy. I want a plug of Day's Work for Xmas, a pipe and some lollypops, and a new pair of socks for the ones I have on needs patching and are kinda dirty. But my dear old Santa, most of all, I want a motor cycle and lots and lots of gasoline. Be sure and remember all the other little boys my size. I will be 22 in February.

TRICIE McCANN.

Cairo, Ill.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old. I am in the third grade, love my teacher, also my Sunday school teacher. First of all, I want to tell you about my little baby brother, Bobby Don. He is ten months old. I love him an awful lot and wish you would bring him a nice horn, a teddy bear and I would like you to bring me a Rolmonica, with four rolls of music for it and a football. Don't forget though Santa, we both want some new clothes for Xmas and just lots of fruits, nuts and candy. I have four cousins in Skeston. I want you to

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WILLIAM G. PATTON TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

St. Louis, December 15.—Dr. William G. Patton of St. Louis, a physician with offices in the Metropolitan Building and a former assistant superintendent of the State Hospital at Farmington, who has taken an active interest in Democratic politics in Missouri for twenty years, has advised his friends in various sections of the State that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in 1932.

Managers of Patton's candidacy in its preliminary stages have in their possession letters from prominent labor leaders and from a considerable number of political leaders, including county chairmen, assuring him of their support.

Patton, a member of the Jefferson Club of St. Louis and a former president of the Southeast Missouri Democratic League, delivered a number of speeches during the campaign of this year on behalf of the Democratic State and local candidates.

He is a native of Oregon County, Mo., and was educated in the public schools of Thayer and Ironton. He graduated in medicine from Vanderbilt University in 1910 and three years later was appointed by Governor Major as assistant superintendent of the State Hospital at Farmington. He served eighteen months as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army during the World War.

RAT-PROOF BUILDINGS

The best way to control rats is to make it "unhealthy and unpopular" for them—and this can be done in a number of different ways, says State Veterinarian Dr. Homer A. Wilson of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture.

The first and best thing to do is, when building, construct in a rat-proof way. The extra cost amounts to little, and the protection thus obtained will many times pay for the trouble and additional expense.

Rats must have food and shelter and if the buildings are rat-proof they will be handicapped. This is a year when we should try to starve the rats!

LADY'S BOUDOIR CLOSED 11 B. C. FINALLY OPENED

Pompeii, Italy.—Nineteen hundred and forty-one years ago a Pompeian lady of No. 4, Via Abbondanza, set her dressing table in order, arranged rings and jeweled bracelets in their case and left her room, probably to ascertain the commotion outside where an avalanche of ashes and lava from Vesuvius was overwhelming proud Pompeii.

This week government excavators poking with pick and shovel through the debris, discovered the room as she left it, with jewels, rings, bracelets, ear-rings and necklaces intact and still glittering and sparkling in their ageless beauty. In adjoining rooms other treasures of what must have been a very wealthy family were discovered.

Among them are kitchen pots and pans of solid silver with figures representing the twelve labors of Hercules, and two silver services, one complete in all details for four persons, a number of silver spoons, and a silver jug.

In a room believed to have been that of the lady of the house were found a mirror, a perfume container, two pairs of gold set ear-rings, two heavy gold bracelets, three pairs of gold ear-rings, thirteen gold rings, two gold necklaces, two gold brooches, one set with precious stones, and thirteen gold and thirty-three silver coins.

The first discovery was of six silver plates in a box Thursday afternoon. Work was stopped and the government authorities notified. Yesterday the remainder of the objects were taken from the ruins.

MISSISSIPPI COUNTY AHEAD SCOTT COUNTY BELOW 1929 COTTON GINNING TOTAL

Scott County ginning totals up to December 1, are reported as 5221 bales as compared with 5890 at the same date in 1929. Mississippi County on the other hand had ginned 6642 bales up to December 1 this year as compared with 4684 in 1929.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.



LIGHT EXTENDS A HOLIDAY GREETING

Let the outside of your home reflect the happiness that prevails within. Let lights help you say "Merry Christmas" to your community.

Colored lamps entwined in wreaths hung in your windows extends a glowing Christmas message to the outside world. Porch lamp sockets filled with gaily colored lamps reach the eyes of all with a warm greeting of friendliness. Lamps intertwined in bunches of evergreens and shrubbery radiate the true Christmas spirit.

We shall be glad to show you how easily—and inexpensively, too—you can say "Merry Christmas" with light. Come in to see us, and let us tell you about it.

Missouri Utilities Co.

remember them. I lived in Skeston until I was eleven months old, then mother, daddy and I moved to Cairo and have lived here ever since. My aunt takes The Skeston Standard and reads it to me and has read all the little children's letters in the paper to me and I think they are nice letters too, Santa. I hope you will remember each and every one of them. Please remember mother and daddy, grandma and all of my aunt and uncles. I'm sending lots of love to you with this letter.

Louis Lloyd Satterfield, Jr.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 10 years old. I am in the fifth grade. Miss Wilma Ragain is my teacher. Daddy said that Santa Claus would not come to see us this year as he has been out of work and can hardly get enough work to do to buy something to eat. I have three little brothers and two sisters and if you have anything left, you can bring it to us. Anything will be appreciated. I would rather have a doll and my sisters would like to have a doll too and my brothers would like to have a little toy car. Hoping you will not forget us.

VIRGIE WILLIAMS.

Dear Santa:

We are two little brothers, both good and bad, yet we think we deserve a nice Xmas. So please bring us a football, a pair of gloves, shoes, and fruit, candy and nuts. Bring Jerry Jean, our little brother, a nice kiddie car and ball. Remember aunt Bobbie and uncle Harry. Also mother and dad. Remember Juanita and Watson's little boy, he is a fine little fellow. Bring him lots of pretty things.

BILLY COX
LYNDALL COX

Dear Santa:

Again I'm sending my order in for Xmas, so please bring everything. I want a bi-lo doll, a pair of gloves and a pair of shoes. Top this off with fruit, candies and nuts. Remember my parents and brothers and sister. Also remember our little friend, Watson Frederick Everett, Jr.

GENEVA COX.

Dear Santa:

I am a double ugly 12 year old boy. As the roads are so muddy that I cannot come to see you, I will write and tell you what I want. I weigh 85

pounds. Bring Alpha, my brother a football and me one too. Alpha is 14 years old. I am a pretty good boy, so don't forget me. I am in the sixth grade. My teacher's name is Mr. Page. I love candy and everything good.

CEPHAS KEELE.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and in the 2nd grade. I will be a good little boy if you will bring me a cowboy suit, pony and some games. Please bring my daddy a new fire truck as the paint is coming off of this one. Don't forget the poor little boys and girls. I live at the fire department.

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Because African red ants do not have a taste for American pitch pine that wood is in demand for buildings in Africa.

Give YOUR SMILE for CHRISTMAS



Think how you would appreciate the thoughtful gift of a precious photo of a loved one. Just imagine the joy and permanent pleasure the constant reminder of a dear friend or relative would be. They'll want a living picture of you too, to keep your smile and personality always before them. Have your photo taken now for Christmas giving—a truly thoughtful gift that is well appreciated.

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QUANTITY PRODUCTION, 1812

Thomas Jefferson, at the time (1785) American envoy to the court of Louis XVI, wrote from Paris to John Jay, then secretary of State for foreign affairs:

An improvement is made here in the construction of muskets, which it may be interesting to congress to know, should they at any time propose to procure any. It consists in the making every part of them so exactly alike that what belongs to any one may be used for every other.

Written 145 years ago, that letter contained America's first hint at standardization. An obscure French mechanic named Le Blanc was conducting the experiment.

Jefferson went on to say: He effects it with tools of his own contrivance, which at the same time abridge the work so that he thinks he shall be able to furnish the musket two lives cheaper than the common price. Special tools, quicker work, lower costs, reduced prices! There—revealed for the first time—lay the magic formula by which our vast industrial powers of today have been created!

Jefferson urged Le Blanc to emigrate to America. The Frenchman declined, left Paris, and vanished thereafter from record.

But this experiment emigrated without him. Returning home to become secretary of State, Jefferson promoted Le Blanc's idea here. When our War of 1812 was declared, Eli Whitney and Simon North announced their readiness to supply the American troops with standardized muskets built on the interchangeable plan.

They carried out the project with the greatest success in spite of opposition and ridicule. After that the new industrial system was firmly established.

So our fabulous age of quantity production actually dates from the manufacture of muskets for the War of 1812—North American Review.

Dallas, Texas, has spent \$20,000,000 harnessing the Trinity River to prevent floods and to solve a major traffic problem.

A memorial to Orren Randolph Smith, designer of the Confederate flag, has been unveiled at Calvary Episcopal Church, Fletcher, N. C.

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Matinee Wednesday 3:00 P. M.

WHEAT HISTORY TABLE— STATE, NATION AND WORLD

Herewith is an important "wheat table", dealing with both winter and spring wheat, in Missouri, in the United States and in the world, annually since 1919.

These statistics are announced on the joint authority of Agricultural Statistician E. A. Logan of the United States Department of Agriculture and Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture prepared especially for county extension agents, vocational teachers of agriculture, farmers and the grain trade.

Missouri produces soft winter wheat almost exclusively. The leading winter wheat States are Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, Indiana and Texas.

The leading spring wheat States are North Dakota, Montana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Washington.

The leading world producers of wheat are United States, Russia, Canada, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Roumania, India, China, Argentina and Australia, of which the United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia are the leading exporters, sometimes including Russia and India.

Acreage of wheat:

Missouri	United States	World
1919	4,565,000	75,694,000
1920	3,012,000	61,143,000
1921	3,161,000	63,696,000
1922	3,105,000	63,317,000
1923	2,830,000	59,659,000
1924	1,607,000	52,535,000
1925	1,704,000	52,255,000
1926	1,403,000	56,337,000
1927	1,568,000	58,784,000
1928	1,511,000	57,724,000
1929	1,730,000	61,103,000
1930	1,420,000	59,024,000
Production of wheat, bushels:		
1919	61,568,000	967,979,000
1920	37,653,000	833,027,000
1921	34,462,000	814,905,000
1922	38,818,000	867,595,000
1923	36,790,000	797,394,000
1924	21,388,000	864,428,000
1925	22,515,000	676,429,000
1926	21,474,000	831,040,000
1927	15,700,000	878,374,000
1928	19,194,000	902,749,000
1929	17,300,000	805,790,000
1930	19,875,000	838,258,800

When windows rattle and prove annoying in the winter winds, screw a small hook to the bottom of the window and a small screw-eye to the window sash, having them far enough apart to make a pretty snug fit. It will lock the window tightly and help keep out the cold air.

It is very difficult for the housewife whose hands are in water constantly to keep her hands dainty during the cold weather, but if vinegar is applied after all washings, while the hands are still soft, and the pores open from the water, it will keep them smooth and white and prevent chapping.

Convenient for Travelers



Scuffed shoes, slippers and "mules" are one of the problems of light traveling. No one likes to carry too much luggage, so the knitted "shoe case" of soft, lustrous dune cotton, as pictured, makes a most attractive Christmas present.

NO LESS THAN NOTHING

Here's one that Elmer Gantry missed!

Down by New Madrid things were being whooped up by the Pentecosts, one girl, under the influence of some of the unexplored stimuli, was given a piece of chalk. She would first draw the picture of a coffin, and then she would write the name of the one who was to pass on immediately; as she would write the futures of the various ones, they would fall in subjection before an improvised altar and seek what was called "the Holy Ghost".

Her brother was sitting by her side as she was carrying through with her splendid work, and his name was written under the coffin—up he sprang and off with his coat and salvation soon reigned in his soul.

A good story—and all that!

John D. Rockefeller gives million to jobless fund—this can't go on whose going to keep up the Rheims Cathedral and the Society for Caring for Homeless Gnu's Affected with Appendectomy.

State Police, if the Legislature passes on it, will have nothing to do with the enforcement of the Prohibition Laws; how like so many other executive bodies in this wonderful State and forty-seven others.

The one mental solace of the American farmer has taken its jolt on the chin. \$220 was levied on nineteen gross of weichel wood pipe stems for Missouri meerschauts, running the price to about six cents per stem. I'm of the belief that they'll have to pay duty on any hurricanes that blows in off the oceans. The returning migratory birds will be met on the Gulf and Mexican border and searched for any contraband articles of extreme usefulness, as: spare webs for the feet, spare ribs, etc.

I think that the Episcopalians of New York City will have a more confirmed belief in Hell Fire and Brimstones after Judge Ben Lindsey and Clarence Darrow get through with Bishop Manning, the Episcopal diocese. Judge Lindsey was refused a right to defend himself before a congregation who heard his doctrines degraded by Manning and was ejected from the church by the police, Mr. Darrow kindly consented to defend the mistreated Mr. Lindsey.

Whether or not we are in accord with Judge Lindsey's Companionate Marriage, we'll admit that the Judge has a right to defend himself. And in a larger sense we admire a man who steps out of the beaten path and seeks something for the married people, commonly known as happiness, and seeking to cut down the percentage of divorces, one of our greater social degradations.

It seems that the various church officials are getting more autocratic each year, evidences such as Cannon, Stratton and now none other than Manning. The ecclesiastics have a better chance to refute a popular measure without meeting immediate rebuttal, that is ordinarily, but Lindsay offended the dignity of the church by asking a chance to defend himself. I am in search of an adjective to modify such an action rightly.

Sir Thomas Lipton collapsed as he accepted the "Losers' Cup" presented to him for his splendid sportsman-

Pale and Weak

"I THINK Cardui is a wonderful medicine, for I improved greatly after taking it," says Mrs. A. W. English, of R. F. D. 4, Roanoke, Va. "When I was just a girl of 13, my mother gave this medicine to me, and it did me a great deal of good. I was weak and run-down. After I had taken Cardui awhile, I felt much better. "In 1924, my health was poor. I felt miserable, and hadn't enough strength to do my housework. It took all my willpower to keep up. I was pale and weak. "I got Cardui again and took it. My improvement was wonderful. I can recommend Cardui to others, for my health was so much better after I had taken a course of the Cardui Home Treatment."

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ship, by the United States.

If he played bridge as I do he would know how to accept booby prizes graciously.

Alice Longworth is a very versatile lady. She is reputed now as being responsible for the introduction of the uncorseted figures for milady along about the time of the World War. So goes the yarn by J. Leonard Replogle, director of Steel Supply of the War Industries Board. He said that Mrs. Longworth told him it wasn't essential, so they used the 28,000 tons of steel that had been used for corsets to make battleships.

All we have to do now is to get the women to wear corsets again and we can save all the steel that is being wasted by scrapping the old battleships. Unemployment, the main theme of this bologny, would pass away as a cool April rain. Just think how many men that could be put to work making the stays for the foundered figure.

Fawney old thing! Somebody is knocking my column, evidence that somebody is reading it. But I wonder if the person that is knocking it is like a lot of old cars; who stand a lot of hard knocks to do a little knocking themselves.

—M'sieur Somebody

TANK HEATER PAID BIG PROFIT

Ice water is an impediment to profitable growth of any meat-producing live stock and to production of dairy cows and poultry flocks. In winter time, investment in a tank heater will likely pay for its cost, provided the live stock would otherwise be forced to drink ice cold water.

Tanks from which beef cattle, dairy cows or sheep drink, and from which water is piped for hogs, may be heated to a suitable temperature with an efficient heater. Will Klutz, a member of the Chickasaw, Iowa, Cow Testing Association, proved the value of warm water. He paid \$25 for a heater and the following month his cows made an average gain of 5.6 pounds of butterfat each. Value of increased production was \$28.34. The equipment paid for itself in one month and had sufficient margin of profit to pay for a winter's supply of coal.

The widow of Woodrow Wilson claims descent from Pocahontas, the Virginia Indian princess.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM BLODGETT

Robert Graham was in Charleston Sunday.

Steve Peal and little daughter, Jane Ellen, were here Saturday.

Miss Maybelle Sheppard visited in Cape Girardeau over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Marshall and family are in St. Louis this week.

Talley Huey and Mrs. Joe Anderson were in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

The Blodgett Epworth League was represented at Charleston Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Nunnelee and family motored to Cape Girardeau Sunday.

Porter, Harry, Jr., and Thad Stubbs of Cape Girardeau were in town, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Marshall of Sikeston visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Marshall, Sunday.

The classes of the Methodist church will give a Xmas program. The date will be announced later.

Blodgett basketball teams played at Ilmo last Friday night. Ilmo was victorious in both games.

The B. Y. P. U. gave a tacky party Tuesday night. The money raised will be used to buy literature.

Mrs. E. C. Graham and daughter, Jeanette and Miss Louise Peal shopped in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Neinstedt and daughter, Louise, and Evelyn Pear-

man motored to Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Spaulding had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Spaulding's sister and family of Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. E. C. Graham, Jeanette and Woodrow motored to Wilson, Ark., Saturday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sadler.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Louie Largent of Portageville visited friends in New Madrid Sunday.

Mrs. Dan McCoy of Sikeston spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fields and daughters, Misses Mildred and Maxine, spent Tuesday in Memphis, shopping.

Misses Lucille Sloas, Clara Standley and Alice Berryman will spend the week-end in Memphis with friends.

Joe Johnson, George Boone and P. Dallas were Sikeston visitors Sunday where they attended the Malone theatre.

George Boone, who is employed Happy Valley, Ark., is spending the week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boone.

Tex Richard of Cairo was called to New Madrid Sunday afternoon because of the death of Harry Fieldson, with whom he has worked.

Jess Wilkerson, constable of New

Madrid township, left Tuesday for Jefferson City, to accompany Calvin Hill and Roy Frohawk to the State penitentiary.

Joe Johnson, P. Dallas, George Boone, Edwin Riley, Ed White and J. Strickland, all government employes at Happy Valley, Ark., spent the week-end in New Madrid with relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Althea Masterson, age 30 years, wife of Lawrence Masterson, who died Monday afternoon after several weeks of illness with typhoid fever.

The County Court met Tuesday to dispose of business matters, which were left over from the regular monthly meeting on the first. Charles Butler of Parma, accompanied Judge Baskins to New Madrid, where he looked after business matters also.

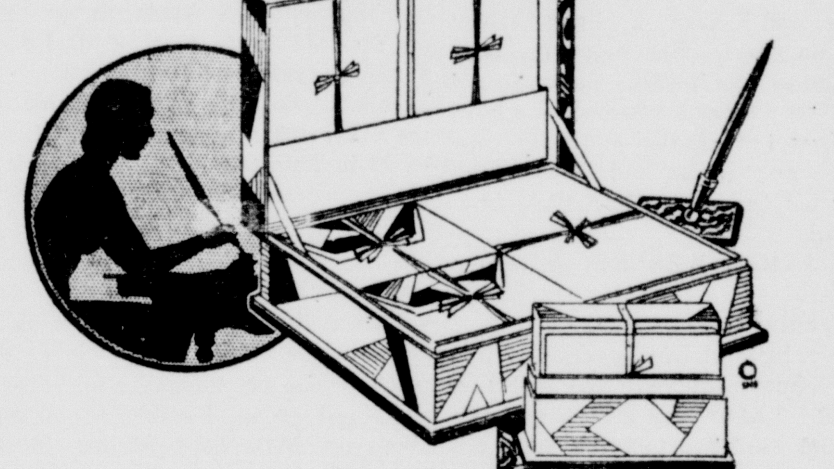
Season loin pork chops with salt pepper and a little powdered sage and sweet marjoram. Dip in beaten egg and breadcrumbs. Fry for 20 minutes in hot fat and then arrange on a meat platter. Have some apples cut in round slices, with the core removed in a little circle in the center. Fry a nice brown in the fat the chops were cooked in and arrange around the chops. Makes a very attractive and very good to eat winter dish.

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JEWELL CAPTURES ESCAPED CONVICT

J. T. Fox, escaped negro convict from the Mississippi State Prison at Parchman since May, 1930, was picked up Friday morning by Constable Brown Jewell, and held in the city jail until officers from Mississippi arrived.

Fox had been staying with a negro family named Walker living 12 miles south of the city. He seemed to be an agreeable sort of chap, and the Walkers had no reason to connect him with a previous record.

Jewell became suspicious, when Fox and Walker speeded away from the postoffice Friday morning. The officer overtook the car near Walker's store on Kingshighway and obtained an admission from Fox that he was wanted in the southern prison camp. The car occupied by Fox and his late host, was stolen two months ago in Kaiser, Ark. He told officer Jewell that he had served five years of his sentence up to the time of his escape. The prison camp, he said, was not a "walled city" after the fashion of most prisons, but was surrounded by a high wire fence.

The Mississippi officers were to arrive Saturday night.

FIVE SIKESTON SCOUTS TAKE ADVANCED STEP

Five Boy Scouts of Sikeston troop appeared before the Board of Review Thursday night for advancement to the higher ranks. Raymond Bandy qualified for the second requirements and John Wilson, Charles McMullin, Billy B. Donnell and Don Robinson for First Class.

The Court of Honor at which these awards and others previously earned will be present to the Scouts will be held Tuesday night, December 30. A program including Tenderfoot investiture which should be of interest to all friends of Scouting, is being planned.

QUARRELL OVER MONEY LEADS TO SHOOTING

Caruthersville, December 12.—Joe Buchanan, Roy Morrow and Leland Walder were wounded in a shooting affray here Wednesday. Buchanan and Morrow had a personal quarrel over money and last night Morrow fired at Buchanan, but did not hit him.

Just before time for their trial they met in front of a poolroom opposite the City Hall. Buchanan began firing at Morrow, who was hit in the leg. Glen Morrow, a brother of Roy, standing nearby, opened fire on Buchanan, wounding him in the hand and back. Walder, standing in front of the City Hall, was struck by a stray bullet. Morrow was arrested and released on bond. He will have a hearing December 19.

CAPE MAYOR HEADS COMMITTEE FOR JOBLESS

Cape Girardeau, December 12.—Mayor Edward L. Drum was chosen chairman at a mass meeting attended by 200 persons to head a movement to provide work for unemployed men here. A committee headed by the Mayor and including Commissioners Louis Wittmor and Phillip Steck, and a group of citizens, will meet soon to decide upon definite action.

Upkeep of Paris streets during 1931-32 will cost \$472,800.

Mrs. Clarence E. Felker and daughter, Miss Ruth Felker, Mrs. J. M. Pitman and Mrs. Harry Young of Sikeston were in Cape Girardeau today shopping.—Cape Missourian.

COMMITTS SUICIDE AFTER LOAN IS TURNED DOWN BY BANK

Kennett, December 10.—R. E. Anderson, aged 60, director of the Bank of Hornersville, where and his brother, C. B. Anderson, operate a store, shot himself through the temple with a pistol yesterday. He died instantly. Officers said he had committed suicide.

The tragedy occurred in his store after he returned from the bank where he unsuccessfully attempted to obtain a loan. The suicide was attributed to financial worries.

Besides a wife, he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Warner J. Bishop of Little Rock, Mrs. Kathryn Anderson of Hornersville and Mrs. Clyde R. Welman, wife of Missouri Lions' governor of Kennett. He was born in Tennessee November 20, 1870, and came to Dunklin County in 1896.

TO THE PUBLIC

Since it has been published in the paper that I had used threats and sandbagging tactics to coerce or influence merchants to contribute to the new Sikeston church for working people, or Pentecostal Church of God, I want to state positively that I will give \$10 in cash of my own personal money if anyone will produce any letter or prove that I have made any threats to obtain money.

Since I have favored merchants here with hundreds of dollars worth of patronage and have induced many others to give certain business houses with liberal cash purchases, I have written two or three plainly that if they were not willing to return the favor by making a contribution to the new church and lots, since we needed it badly, they could not expect me to continue to favor them.

It is just a business proposition, regardless of any religious or social or political matter. Most all business houses want patronage and appreciate it and there are very few in America who are not willing to return the favor to you, if they can do so.

If any merchant in Sikeston who has not donated to the new Sikeston church for working people, and could not give \$25, \$10, \$5 or even \$1, and actually were willing to show their appreciation of trade and actual, could not give but 50c, I would accept that amount just as freely as if they had donated \$100. It is not the money, it is a principle of appreciating favors shown them. It is just returning favors. No business house could expect men and women to favor them with business, if they willfully and deliberately refused to contribute a penny to their church where they need it. If some were so poor they could only donate 10c, I would consider they had appreciated our purchases of merchandise.

I have nothing but good will and heartiest wishes for every business man in Sikeston and wish them well. If two farmers who live near each other and one of them had been loaning plows, harrows, farm tools and other implements, then when the other needed the loan of his implements and he refused, could the said farmer who had been the recipient of the other farmers' kindness and generosity, expect his former friend to favor him again? Certainly not. When I was in the printing and publishing business here in Sikeston for twenty years, if some man had given me \$10 worth of job printing and had later asked for a favor, a donation to some worthy cause, I would have obtained an automobile and run him down to get to give it to him.

I am a great booster of Sikeston and the past several years have caused people from Arkansas to come and buy from Sikeston merchants. I caused a tenant on one of my farms in Arkansas several years ago to come

to Sikeston to buy some farming implements and merchandise. The writer the past 60 days has induced some people to come from Stoddard, Butler and Dunklin Counties to buy from Sikeston merchants.

The reason why I am trying to raise money so quickly is, I am trying to obtain the remainder of the money necessary to finish paying for the lot 18 and 19, in McCoy-Tanner's Third Addition to Sikeston so that we can obtain deed and abstract and make some repairs and improvements on the old building on the lots so that we can have services in the old shack

the trees bear.

I do not receive any honor or glory in raising money for this new church here. But on the other hand I do not have to do it and it is such a trying ordeal that I believe I would prefer serving six months in a dungeon rather than to have suffered it.

We have no intentions of antagonizing any denomination, neither do we want to induce anyone attending services at other churches to change their place of worship. But about one-half of the people do not attend services regularly anywhere. It is my great interest in the common people

ing all I can to boost Sikeston and to send people from other towns here to trade. Quite often on Saturday nights and Sundays, I am away preaching from 20 to 100 miles away and I boost Sikeston and Sikeston merchants and many times people have come in automobiles and bought merchandise.

I will be willing to give twice as much as they donate if they do not get value received in increased patronage.

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Bonded Member F. T. D.

MISSOURI

in order to enroll this church on our minutes for 1930. And I want to take up collections every few days for men, women and children in destitute circumstances. We do the same work in this respect as the Salvation Army. The writer has contributed \$250 himself to charity the past few years. Tenants on two of my farms in Arkansas have not paid a cent rent in two years. I would not accept it. Have an orchard of apples, peaches, pears, plums and cherries on one farm and am supposed to have half of the fruit, but I let the tenants and poor people have the fruit every year.

ple that induces me to undertake such a terrible task.

No creeds or doctrines will be preached and the writer will not receive any salary. Just free will offerings will be my only remuneration. People have written me from many towns, some 100 miles away, that they would attend services occasionally on Sundays, because they came in their overalls and house dresses, if they want to.

A lot of people will come from many towns, after church building is erected, and some of them will buy from Sikeston merchants. I am do

money raised to pay for lots and repair and improve the old building on lots so that we can have services for a few weeks until sufficient money is on hand to commence work on new edifice.

I own 132 acres of woods land one-half mile from a town in Arkansas and destitute people are cutting wood off it all the time.

I have several thousand dollars worth of property and stand back of this church proposition. I do not owe a penny to any man on any of my property. Have not bought anything on time for 25 years.—John B. Huffman.

HAYTI-CARUTHERSVILLE ROAD TO BE SHORTENED TWO MILES

Hayti, December 12.—Work on State Highway No. 84 is progressing rapidly. This highway, 5.2 miles long, is to be paved and will shorten the distance of the former gravel road, approximately two miles, between Hayti and Caruthersville.

The contractors started work on the project November 15 and the contract calls for its completion by next October 3. The contractors, however, expect to complete the job two months earlier than the allotted time.

Work will continue during the winter on the bridge and dump work. All bridge and dump work is expected to be completed by the latter part of spring, after which paving will be started.

The project employs 45 men and several teams.

BROWN-McCOY WEDDING PERFORMED BY JUSTICE

Miss Evelyn Brown of this city became the bride of Hardy McCoy, Scott County Milling Company employee, at a ceremony performed Friday evening, December 12, before Justice of the Peace, Jos. W. Myers.

TELLS OZARK BERRY GROWERS PRICE WILL BE HIGHER IN 1931

Monett, Mo., December 11.—The strawberry acreage to be picked next spring will be 40 per cent less throughout the United States and as a result the berry growers of the Ozark region will get good prices, E. A. Logan, statistician for the United States Bureau of Economics, told 100 association heads at the annual meeting of the Ozark Fruit Producers Exchange.

The drought of the past season will result in a greatly reduced production of berries, Logan said.

Charles F. Wilson of Washington D. C., a member of the Federal Farm Board, told the convention his board is willing to lend financial assistance to the Ozarks co-operative.

NEW HIGHWAY MARKERS TO BE WHITE SHIELDS IN SHAPE OF MISSOURI

Jefferson City, December 12.—New highway markers for State routes in Missouri, to replace the small oval black and orange markers now in use, have been approved by the State Highway Commission, T. H. Cutler, chief highway engineer, announced Wednesday.

The new markers will be black and white and approximately the same as the federal signs. They will be mounted on a white shield shaped like the map of the State, bearing "Missouri" and the route number.

New markers for the farm to market roads, 900 miles of which are to be built in 1931, are being prepared by the highway department, the design being a square with the name of the county and route letter.

FREE ELECTRICITY FOR MONTH

Albany, N. Y., December 11.—Administration supporters of the policy of public rather than private development of State-owned hydro-electric power resources were enthusiastic over an announcement by the Public Service Commission that the village of Penn Yan, which operates a municipally owned power plant in Cate County, will give its 1770 consumers a Christmas gift of free electric current for the entire month of December.

The gift of a month's free current to customers follows a substantial reduction in rates which became effective for all consumers December 1.

MODEL CONOCO STATION NOW OPEN

Another Sikeston "ugly", the pile of debris and building bricks left when fire destroyed the Ford garage structure at the corner of Kingshighway and Malone has disappeared. In place of the unsightly vacant lot there now exists a modern, flood-lighted, cottage type oil station. The place was opened officially Saturday, December 13, by Harvey Blackburn, local agent and J. F. Hess, station attendant. J. B. Dickey, Cape Girardeau district superintendent for the company, personally supervised installation of equipment.

Three white way standards brilliantly illuminate the all-weather driveways, building and hydraulic grease lift at night. Each standard is equipped with one 500-watt and 100-watt lamp.

Equipment includes two 10-gallon visible pumps, automatic tire inflators, hydraulic lift, high pressure greaser and spring spray.

The building itself is modernly appointed. An Arcola hot water system provides uniform clean, radiator heat. A battery of narrow "Lubesters" contain Esko, Conoco and Gerni Process lubricating oils.

All auxiliary equipment is housed in a room adjoining the main office and supply room. A neat arrangement takes care of the usually unsightly coal bin. An outdoor opening is provided through which fuel is shoveled into a closed chamber. A closed chute allows the coal to be taken out as needed.

Lights are used effectively throughout the station for effect. They blend well with the cheerful white and green walls and dull red tile floor.

According to the district superintendent, the small remaining plots of ground in front and on south of the station will be landscaped next spring.

THE DUKE STEPS OUT— ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE

Duke Weideman and Frank Lichford had inside information early Thursday morning on the location of a flock of wild geese a few miles north of the city. High powered guns and ammunition were gathered together and the Lichford-Weideman expedition set out.

The geese were tame, domesticated fowls running at large in this particular pasture.

KENNETT FIRE DAMAGE MONDAY PLACED AT \$10,000

Kennett, December 10.—Fire in the Pankey garage did about \$10,000 damage early this morning. There were 25 machines in the garage. The building, owned by A. A. Sexton, was covered by insurance as is the loss to the garage.

1930 ROAD PROGRAM BEING COMPLETED

Missouri's 1930 road building program is rapidly being completed. On December 1, the Highway Department had built 1627 miles of road. This construction is divided as follows: 470 miles of concrete, 807 miles of gravel, and 350 miles of graded earth. The above construction cost \$30,369,275.89.

There are still 361 active projects in the State on which work is being done when the weather permits. These jobs are mostly farm-to-market roads that are being rushed, in order to furnish labor to farmers and labor in local communities. On December 2, Chief Engineer Cutler opened bids on 52 new projects, totaling approximately \$2,225,000. Another letting is scheduled for December 19.

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SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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A call was made for a bed, springs and mattress for a family of five children and a man who had but one bed. The mother had left for other parts with another man. The editor and wife sent the outfit. That is the end of this story. Good Samaritans sent in some food to this same family. The next morning one of the children told the teacher at school they had company come in from Arkansas and when the children got up for breakfast, all that was left was some coffee. Don't this beat hell.

We attended the funeral of Dad Monan, held at the Welsh Funeral Parlor Sunday afternoon, to pay our respects to a friend that we have known for 18 years. It is so that all cannot be rich in this world's goods and Dad was one of those. However, he left behind him a large family and many friends who shed tears of regret at his sudden passing. He had had many ups and downs since we have known him and never has there been a time when he was not smiling and believing it might have been worse. Like most of us, he had his faults, but at heart, he was kind and gentle. He was a Confederate soldier, but there was present no comrades to sound taps, no fifes and drums to play the Confederate battle song of "The Girl I Left Behind Me" as he passed on. The beautiful flowers that covered his casket will soon wither and in time with the body return to the dust from which they came.

The fare for airplane travel has been appreciably reduced, with the result that more passengers are being carried by air than ever before. It may be that the airplane has sounded the knell of the railroad, saving as a means for handling slowly-moving freight. The passing of the railroad is hard to comprehend as a possibility, but what happened to passenger traffic on the canals?

Last issue of The Standard carried a paragraph about a white woman of St. Louis being in Skeston to solicit money to uplift fallen negro girls. A reader of The Standard called the office to say that was a monstrous undertaking as they are falling much faster than the uplifters can come to the rescue. However, she said, there was a number of female dogs in the city running at large that should be uplifted or something done. This for the attention of the Chief of Police.

Who can remember back in the pioneer days when men were men and settled their arguments with six-shooters? Every time they made a killing they added a notch to their gun. How times have changed. Willie takes his lacquered sweetie out in his new sport roadster and comes home with another notch added to the steering wheel. That's progress.—Paris Mercury.

"Any good shooting on your farm?" asked the hunter of a farmer. "Splendid," replied the farmer. There's a threshing machine salesman down in the meadow; a farm relief congressman in the hay loft; a vacuum cleaner peddler in the house; a radio salesman coming in the front gate; a candidate down at the barn and two tramps in the corn crib.—Need any shells?—Auxvasse Review.

The Appeal does not agree with those who so vigorously condemn Judge Ben Lindsey for the disturbance he caused in Bishop Manning's aristocratic cathedral in New York Sunday night. We are of the opinion that a man whose character and motives are assailed in a church is entitled to the privilege of defending himself in that church and before the same people, just as a man whose character and conduct are condemned before a jury in a court of justice has the privilege of facing his accusers and, if possible, of refuting his charges. For Bishop Manning to hold Lindsey up to public odium and then answer his plea for a chance to give his side of the case by dismissing the congregation and letting him be hustled off to jail was just as unrighteous and unthinkable as for a judge to adjourn court and send the defendant off to prison immediately after the prosecution has stated its case. Even partisan newspapers show better sportsmanship than the bishop did. When they attack the policies or purposes of a man with whom they differ their rule is to let him make reply, if he desires, through their own columns. We have no desire to defend Judge Lindsey's position on divorce, marriage and kindred topics. We are not sufficiently acquainted with them to discuss them in an intelligent way. We do know, however, that Bishop Manning violated every principle of justice, religion and fair play when he condemned the man so viciously and denied him the right to make a defense. That the Bishop was not planning his Sunday night meeting as an advertisement for the Gospel of Peace and Good Will was evidenced by the fact that he had asked for and secured a lot of policemen in plain clothes to mingle with his congregation. The net result of his Unchristian conduct will be a fresh demand for Judge Lindsey's books and additional prejudice against sensational preaching of his type.—Paris Appeal.

The keel of a thirty thousand ton ship has been laid, and when it begins its work, men will wonder at what progress has accomplished. It might be well to consider, also, what ancient mariners accomplished before the days of enlightenment. Few who travel in comfort on the new vessel would be willing to sail unknown seas in the tiny caravels of Columbus, or push from Scandinavia toward New England in the shallops of the Vikings.

An exciting incident occurred at the postoffice this morning about nine o'clock, when Cricket Hicks attempted to put a grasshopper on Miss Flutie Belcher.—Commercial Appeal

An ample young female ambled down the streets of Malden donned in beach pajamas and Paul Morris was so shocked he wrote about it. Simon Loeb took it up in his Charleston Warble and said she ought to have the bosom of her pants kicked. Paul comes back with the wail that she was too hefty and he was too light for such exercise to be safe. Paul would have passed the lady up with merely a passing glance had it been the fourth of July and had Malden been a seaport or even a river town, but Malden was 1000 miles from the sea, 57 miles from a river and 10 miles from a creek, and "It was in the bleak November". No wonder the instance hit him up. The only way we cannot account for Simon's ire is that she put on the show in Malden instead of Charleston. Now, if she had worn such garb in Skeston, Caruthersville, Jackson or Bloomfeld, not one word would have been published about it, but perhaps some fatherly old men in those towns would have talked the matter over with her personally.—Dexter Statesman.

DONATES TURNIP FIELD
TO SKESTON NEEDY

A Red Cross appeal asking that turnip patches be turned over to destitute presons was met Saturday with an offer on the part of E. P. Coleman who allowed dozens of needy persons to glean leftovers from the place. A truckload of turnip pullers left Skeston for the Coleman plantation early Saturday morning, to be followed later by additional carloads. Frank W. Van Horne, C. E. Brenton and Lyle Malone offered their personal cars to transport the workers free of charge.

One group of workers pulled about 75 bushels of turnips receiving their pay in groceries and foodstuffs at the expense of the Red Cross, which thus paid for the labor.

Another group, mostly negro workers, worked free of charge for the turnips alone. The vegetables gathered by the latter group are to be "holed in" for use of the needy in Sunset Addition.

CHARGE TWO EMBEZZLED

Dexter, December 12.—Warrants for the arrest of C. B. Cookson, cashier, and Lynn Varble, assistant cashier of the closed Citizens State Bank at Puxico, Stoddard County, were issued late today by Prosecuting Attorney C. A. Powell. They are charged with embezzlement of bank funds and making improper entries in records. The bank closed about ten days ago.

"Bank Examiner C. E. Estes" Powle said, "gave me a preliminary report which indicated a shortage in accounts, but the amount is not definite."

Mrs. Harry Dover, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mrs. Chris Francis and Mrs. Oscar Carroll of Skeston were among the Christmas shoppers in Cape Girardeau today.—Cape Missourian.

The Young People's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet Monday evening with Miss Elizabeth Taylor. All members are expected to be present to help plan a Christmas party.

The Greer school will give a Xmas program and box supper Friday, December 19, at 7:30. Everybody is invited to attend. Come and bring a box and enjoy the fun. A box of candy for the prettiest girl.

SHOE REPAIRMAN
HELD UP BEATEN

E. H. Heller, proprietor of the "shoe shop on wheels", South Kings-highway, fell victim to holdup men late Saturday night.

Heller was unable Monday morning to give a clear account of the affair, but stated that he became suspicious when a group of ruffians continued to "hang around" his shop Saturday night after 11 o'clock. He slipped an old revolver into his pocket, and started home with his day's receipts.

Soon after he left the shop, he was attacked, receiving a bruised nose, a black eye and scratches about the face. He emptied his gun in the general direction of his assailants and finally escaped without losing his money. The case is being investigated by the police.

SNOWFALL BRINGS FIRST
DROVE OF "SNOWBIRDS"

While Southern folks who happen to be making their homes with us in one capacity or another at present were scampering about early Monday morning, and taking huge delight in the season's first snowfall, a trio of genuine "snowbirds" drifted into the city, strange the coincidence, and lodged on the steps of the City Hall.

A frail, rather attractive woman, a small under nourished man, and a peg-leg comprised the trio. They were dopesters, "hop heads" or just plain, ordinary "snowbirds", who had drifted in from Memphis, Tenn., and who were throwing themselves upon the mercy of the Red Cross or any other organization or individual who might possibly give them a shot of cocaine.

They were three pitiable, human derelicts until a small quantity of that magical stuff, "dope" was administered. Then they clambered into their delapidated Ford three entirely different persons, bright eyed and recharged and headed east, "to take the cure" in Alton, Ill.

Rev. and Mrs. Bates of the Methodist church, were visitors to Cape Girardeau.

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—SHOP EARLY WHILE SELECTION IS COMPLETE—

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hillman of Marion, Ill., visited friends in Skeston last week.

Mrs. Charlie Dover will be hostess to a community bridge dinner at her home Friday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. T. C. McClure and children are leaving Saturday for Canada, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. McClure's mother.

Tom Pierce of St. Louis, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Phillips for the past two weeks, returned to his home Sunday morning.

Mrs. Betty Matthews will entertain with a family dinner, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen spent the week-end in Cairo visiting Mrs. Allen's mother and brother.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS

This list but suggests the wealth of holiday merchandise awaiting your visit to our store. If the particular gift you wish to purchase isn't in stock, we can get it for you quickly—saving you hours of search and thousands of weary steps.

FOR WOMEN PARTICULARLY

Boudoir Clocks
Compacts and Vanities
Electric Curling Irons
Manicure Outfits
Perfumes
Perfume Atomizers
Perfume Burners

Perfume Sets
Sachets
Smelling Salts
Talc
Toilet Waters
Candy

FOR MEN PARTICULARLY

Bill Folds
Card Cases
Cigars
Cigarettes
Cigarette Cases
Cigarette Holders
Flasks
Key Holders
Playing Cards
Pipes

Razor Strops
Safety Razors
Shaving Brushes
Shaving Sets
(brush, cream, lotion and talcum powder)
Stroppers
Tobacco
Tobacco Pouches
Toilet Kits

FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN

Books
Brushes
Cameras
Combs
Corona Typewriters

Fountain Pens
Flashlights
Games
Stationery
Bibles

FOR CHILDREN

Candy
Games
Rubber Balls

Toys
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Artistic and appropriate Christmas
and New Year's Greeting Cards



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We Deliver

'GIVE SOMEONE A JOB' IS PLEA OF LOCAL VOLUNTEER RED CROSS WORKERS

It will be a bleak Christmas for hundreds of Skeston families and the families of farmer-workers near our city. Each hour they come, dejected looking men, frail women with and without children. Each has a pitiful tale of misery and human endurance grabbing at a chance to clothe the family and obtain groceries from the Red Cross.

Each case is investigated. The following is an example of what the investigators find. The little card tells the story. Children, three. Mother deserted. Father looking for work. Cooking done by nine-year-old boy. Oatmeal and water has been an unvarying menu for the tots for several weeks. Recently relatives visited the family, consumed the visible supply of food and departed with the one bed and bed clothing. When asked what the children ate for breakfast the day the family was visited by the Red Cross lady, the 9-year-old provider answered: "We et walnuts."

In nearly every case the destitute ones ask for work. Any kind of work, house cleaning, carrying out ashes, brushing up the basement, chopping wood or any other kind of labor which might provide a dime, a quarter or a dollar with which to buy food and clothing. Every case listed at Red Cross headquarters has been investigated. Those able and willing to work are so listed. Call 526, Red

Cross headquarters, or 418, Miss Fanny Becker or The Standard office, No. 137, and a worker will be sent to your home or place of business. It need not be a steady job. Odd jobs, even though they last only an hour or an afternoon will assist someone temporarily.

It is extremely difficult to paint a word picture of the work being carried on at the old Chamber of Commerce rooms. Men shuffle up to the desk, dejected. They are 'whipped' and ready to admit it. Then follows a period of questioning. Frequently children in the family are barefoot. The wife or mother is quite often in need of clothing and shoes.

Many of the cases come in from territory near the city. Sharecroppers find that farm work, repairing fences, or farm machinery is needed but the landowner has no money with which to pay. The tenant drifts to the city out of work, out of money and destitute as far as providing clothing for his children is concerned.

Those who have not yet donated old clothing or made possible the purchase of underwear, shoes and groceries, need only spend a few minutes at headquarters to find out that the volunteer workers are not squandering the present supply and to reach the conclusion that it will be a mighty sorry Christmas for many in this district.

HOLD LAST RITES FOR 'DAD' MONAN

Joshua Cas, better known to a number of Skestonians as "Dad" Monan, died Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Levy Talley, at the age of 77 years, 4 months and 10 days. He was born in Kentucky, August 2, 1863, served honorably for a lost cause, that of the Southern Confederacy, and moved to Missouri making his home in the vicinity of Skeston.

For the past several years Dad had been unable to work. His health began to fail and last Friday he breathed his last.

Surviving are his wife and nine children, Mrs. Levy Talley of this city, Evelyn and Myrtle of Detroit Mich., Maggie of Muskegon and five sons, O. O. Taylor of Edinburgh Texas, Thomas, Cleve, William and M. L. Monan of Pismo, Calif.

Services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Welsh Funeral Parlor with Rev. J. A. Duncan officiating. Interment in Skeston City Cemetery.

MARKED BIRD IS SHOT BY HAROLD LOVELACE SUN

A banded Canadian goose fell victim to a hunter's gun Sunday. Harold Lovelace of Charleston brought the bird to earth and states that the aluminum band carried the following mark: "Be not afraid, only believe". Mark 5:36. Write box 48 Kingsville, Ontario, Canada. Two snow white geese were also killed by the Mississippi County hunter.

Ira D. Clark, of Stoddard County, was a business visitor Saturday and while here, paid The Standard an appreciated call.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Matthews and Miss Fannie Emory were called to Memphis Saturday evening on account of the death of Mrs. Alfred Emory.

WORK FOR WOOD IS NEW RED CROSS PLAN

Under a plan advanced Monday morning by C. E. Brenton, Scott County Red Cross Chairman, destitute persons may obtain wood for fuel and small wages by applying for work at the Matthews Wagon Yard on Malone Avenue, where Frank W. Van Horne has been placed in charge of

this branch of relief work.

The plan consists simply of cutting and hauling wood from a tract of land near Salcedo, turned over to the Red Cross by the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber Company to relieve suffering from lack of fuel. Tenant farmers in need of wood and groceries are urged to secure a team and wagon from their landlords. The wood will be readily available, and in addition, needy persons can earn a small amount daily in foodstuffs. No

money will be paid.

One day's work will entitle the workman to a ticket good for groceries. It will be a work order used in place of money.

The plan is to haul the wood to Highway 60, either near Morehouse or Brown Spur, and have trucks or wagons haul it to the wagon yard here for distribution.

Those who need fuel will of course be permitted to haul it home. Others who wish to work for food will cut

and haul the wood to the wagon yard or to the sub-station on the highway from where it will be transported to Skeston. Several Skeston truckmen have donated their services for one or two days to make the short haul into the city.

AN AIRPLANE, SANTA

Dear Santa:

Please send me an airplane so I can learn to fly, for that is my great aim

in life. Also bring me a stopper gun and some extra stoppers so I can do some hunting. Santa, please don't forget my poor little pals, Hubert Boyer and Colonel McMullin.

With lots of love,

EARL LIMBAUGH.

A change in typewriter face styles every five years is suggested by the bureau of standards as a means of tracing documents and preventing frauds.

Yuletide Pageant at the CHRISTMAS STORE



For Boys

Suits	Raincoats
Topcoats	Pants
Shirts	Play Suits
Hats	Underwear
Caps	Ties
Sweaters	Tie Sets

For Girls

Coats	Underwear
Dresses	Baby Dresses
Hats	Baby Coats
Berets	and Other
Sweaters	Necessities

For Men

Men's Robes
Men's Furnishings
Men's Suits
Men's Topcoats
Men's Hats
Men's Shoes
Shirts
Shirt Ensembles
Men's Luggage
Neckwear
Mufflers

Dresses
Coats
Hats
Shoes
Boudoir Slippers
Children's Shoes
Brassieres
Garter Sets
Corsettes
Girdles
Wool Robes
Silk Robes
Negligees
Coolie Coats

FOR WOMEN

Glove Silk Underwear
Rayon Underwear
Silk Lingerie
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Sweaters
Skirts
Blouses
Smocks
House Dresses
Fur Scarfs
Fur Coats
Evening Apparel

Toiletries
Compacts
Traveling Cases
Neckwear
Scarfs
Novelty Jewelry
Dress Flowers
Leather Bags
Evening Bags
Hosiery
Gloves
Women's Luggage

Not many days remain until Christmas and so that gifts may be chosen with the least trouble we have planned a special listing of articles particularly appropriate for gifts. They are conveniently grouped for your selection and offer a wealth of suggestion to the late shopper. Prices are in many cases much lower than usual for merchandise of this type so there is every advantage in choosing now.

...Lair Store News...

"That Interesting Store"

Home Furnishings—Our 1st Year in Skeston

Magazine racks, smoking stands and other novelties were running low hence another good size order was sent in. The new goods are here today to sell at popular prices of \$2.50 and up. Every one is good value.

Furnishing complete outfits for housekeepers is a hobby with our salesmen. 32 years' experience in that line of work has taught us some lessons that we are glad to pass on to customers who are willing to take advice. It costs nothing extra.

Good used ranges are always salable. Sometimes we wish we had more of them. Just now, however, we are selling new cast iron ranges at a price lower than that of used ones that are good. Families that need a good cook stove at a low price (there are many of them) should come in and see what we have left from the Rose stock.

Lane cedar chests are nationally advertised and as a matter of fact, they are the best the market affords. 1930 Holiday Models are certainly attractive and prices are lower this year than you will expect.

Our "special" in pull up chairs and occasional rockers at \$12.50 is not equalled elsewhere for less than \$18.00. Every housekeeper who examines them agrees they are beautiful and extremely modest in cost. There are not very many left.

GIFTS THAT LAST. That's what we have to offer all down the line and every one of them will perform some actual service in the well ordered home. INVESTING your money in Christmas gifts is better than merely SPENDING it—for "gimcracks".

There are a lot of beautiful mirrors in stock for holiday demands and we are going to sell them. Price will have a lot to do with sales. Look over the goods and price tags and you will see what we mean.

A view down the principal business streets of Skeston on Saturday night reminds one of crowds in much larger cities and is unusual for a city of this size. It goes to prove that there are many, many people who come here to transact their business and while their purses may be rather lean at this writing, it is evident that when the economic change does come, Skeston will be "setting pretty".

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As the contract has been signed and bond approved for the light and power plant, The Standard would like to offer a motion to the City Council to pay a bonus to City Attorney Bailey for extra services given to this cause. Then we would like to see the Council pass, or amend present ordinances, to make the salary of the Mayor and the City Attorney each \$900 per year if no more. There will be many vexatious questions arise in the future that will require much of the time of the Mayor and City Attorney and they should be paid a sum more in keeping with the duties they perform.

A fellow can never tell when a thing is loaded. For instance, a certain young man of this city, who is particularly fond of chocolates, called on a young lady recently and asked her to bring out a box of candy that she had in her room. Yes, of course she would. Near at hand was a reasonable supply of ex-lax, a powerful chocolate laxative and a liberal amount of this chocolate dynamite was placed among the top layer of candy and the box passed to Buddy. The ex-lax appeared to be more appealing and the young man ate heartily of it. He soon became ill at ease and left for home early. He can now testify that ex-lax will do all the manufacturers claim for it, and more. And, again, this may be a new way to send the boy friend home a couple of hours earlier than usual.

Merchants and commission men in large cities are turning over to a civic committee all damaged fruit and vegetables at the close of the day's business to be given to those in need of food. In St. Louis hundreds stand in line when this food is to be distributed to get a portion of it. Specked potatoes, spotted cabbage, off looking apples, and the like not merchantable as first class goods, goes to this committee. To cut out the specks and spots means little to the cook and leaves good food to the hungry. The Standard wonders if something of the kind could not be inaugurated in Skeston.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

Fern Garden for Christmas



For Christmas-giving miniature fern (actually growing) gardens are the "big idea" this year. The thought was inspired by the Illiputian Japanese gardens which have ever been an object of admiration. The one pictured is only about 14 inches long. You can buy the wooden framework (outline sketch in upper corner). Removable sink flower box or pan fits in the top. You can have the fun of painting it yourself to give it the appearance of a terraced rockery, using for the purpose sealing wax dissolved in alcohol which gives a handsome lacquered effect. Tiny plants and ferns are planted in the galvanized box in mossy soil. A gayly painted toy bridge and doll-like figures add to the landscape.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

The author of "Ship Ahoy" made one serious blunder. Anne Beck, modern American girl, is made to say "but what will Auntie say", when her dashing Romeo insists that she accompany him just like that on his voyage to Bel Santo.

Imagine any modern girl saying that.

Instead, she would say, "But honey, I haven't any clothes".

We stand upon our constitutional rights or what have you as an observer.

The two new fire extinguishers recently placed alongside the stage were not needed! Think that over.

Can you read an electric meter, Sam was asked last week. "No, suh, and I don't think they can either", replied the dark skinned one. "All it says on that little card is watt, watt, watt".

In other words, we are trying to discourage hit and run and hip and rum drivers in this decade.

The Boston Transcript pauses to remark "Where would Americans be today if it weren't for prohibition?" Back in America, probably.

Male clerks working in stores should not become unduly excited or filled with unreasonable ego when some smart young things pause for reuection in front of show windows.

An attempt to keep a lot of local boys out of New Madrid and Morehouse by opening a more convenient "honky" north of town has been stopped. Somebody evidently has not been reading our stuff about "keeping Skeston dollars in Skeston".

Come seven.

They tell a story about prohi officers who discovered a big still near a Mississippi County swamp when farmers complained that mosquitoes kept them awake nights humming "Sweet Adeline".

This is to notify our seven hundred and eight friends that 698 asked "did she bite you?" one said "Growing a horn, Art?" and the others were too varied in their expressions of sympathy at our pet boil (under the chin) to be classified.

Didja ever have one of those things and still be required to keep a sweet disposition, or write a review on an amateur show?

The following two gags are lifted bodily from the Frisco Lines magazine:

A framer was hauling a load of fertilizer past an insane asylum. One of the inmates was standing talking with another near the fence. As the farmer went by with his load, one of them yelled at him:

"What have you got there?"

"Fertilizer", answered the farmer.

"What are you going to do with it?"

"Take it to the farm and put it on my strawberries", the farmer replied.

One inmate turned to the other and said, "Can you imagine that. He's going to put that on his strawberries and we put sugar and cream on ours and they put us in here!"

Here's to the memory of Johnny McGuire.

Who ran through the streets with his trousers on fire;

He went to the doctor and fainted with fright.

When the doctor told him his end was in sight!

The Man About Town is suffering from what he thought was a mere \$2 boil. It turned out to be a "Streptococcus Aureus of the chin" worth \$4.50. Isn't science wonderful?

FARMER AND SEED LAW

A. C. Moeller, Bay, Mo., and others, have asked what is the law relating to the Missouri seed act and the farmer—in other words, to what extent is the farmer exempted from the labeling provision of the field seed law?

Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture calls attention more particularly to section 12,127 (R. S. 1919), entitled "Exemptions".

Under sub-section "c" is found special requirements applicable to the farmer, indicating that if any agricultural seeds are advertised for sale or delivered through a common carrier, then the grower as a seller shall be deemed a vendor, and both seed and the seller shall be subject to all the requirements of the seed labeling law.

Miss Anna Johnston Dead

Miss Anna Johnston, 29 years of age, the oldest daughter of J. Forest Johnston, of Bowling Green, died Monday, December 8, at the family home there, after a brief illness of only a week. She had been in declining health for several months past, but her illness was not thought to be serious until a brief while before her death, and friends and relatives in Troy and vicinity, where the family formerly lived, were greatly shocked at the sad news.

Anna was an unusually lovely character. Upon the death of her mother a number of years ago, she took upon herself the responsibility of the home and the rearing of her younger brothers and sisters, some of whom were quite small. Cheerfully, uncomplainingly, competently, she ministered to every one's needs—except her own—and her life was a beautiful example of service and sacrifice, gladly given. Everyone had a word of commendation and admiration for Anna Johnston and she will be sincerely and sadly missed, not only by her family, but by a wide circle of friends as well.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Highland Union Church near Ethlyn, the community in which the Johnstons formerly lived, by Rev. A. W. Darter, of New Bloomfield, a close friend and

former pastor of the family, and burial was in the cemetery adjoining the church.—Troy Press.

A tax of 3 cents per package on cigarettes and one of \$10 a year dealers will be proposed in our coming session of the legislature by State Senator McKittick of Salisbury. The same bill will be introduced in the House of Representatives by Aubrey Hammett of Moberly. It is doubtful whether the editorials on the question in this column had anything to do with this matter, but we are glad to see it just the same and hope that it becomes one of our statutes. The increased cost will likely prevent a lot of children from smoking and maybe cut down our own indulgence. The legislation has been urged by parent-teacher associations in many localities as a means of curbing the smoking habit of school children.—Shelbina Democrat.

To be a bad competitor and take advantage of anyone is pretty bad. By grapevine telegraph, we learn that we are considered a bad competitor, and take advantage of others. Well this is for the public to judge. We strive to secure all the business we can in an open and above-board manner, to secure a living price for same, and to treat every advertiser alike. We carry no advertising for outside cities at a less rate than home

merchants are charged is why we secure none of this patronage—and not because we wouldn't accept it. We have nothing to hide as a business concern, a private citizen or otherwise.

It used to be said that it took money to make the mare go. There are so few mare these days, that the money can be used for other purposes. To help others, it will be better to buy food, fuel and warm underclothing, than to give money. If given money, it might be used to fill the old car or buy tobacco. It is no time for foolishness if real relief is to be given, and to expect the few to make up the money is out of the question.

Nothing, we believe, is contributing more to the growing sentiment for prohibition repeal than the dastardly methods to which so many underlings in the enforcement department resort in their zeal for prison recruits. The spectacle of an officer of our great Government beguiling men and women to violate the law in order to get evidence on which to send them to the penitentiary should be just as distressing to the people of this country as would the spectacle of a father placing temptation in the way of a son or daughter in order to get an excuse to punish them for immorality. The officer, not the accused, is the one who should be prosecuted.



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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM CHARLESTON

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the Christian church for Mrs. Mary H. Lee, widow of the late David Lee, who died December 4, at the home of her son, Doss Lee, following a lingering illness of several months. Mrs. Lee was born September 24, 1881. She was a splendid Christian woman and leaves many relatives and friends to mourn her loss. She is survived by the following children: Misses Alice and Evelyn and Doss Lee, all of this city; Jimmie Lee and Mrs. Jennie Hicks of Wolf Island, Harry Lee of Independence; John, Hilary and Frank of Norman, Okla., also one sister, Mrs. John Clevidence of Wolf Island one brother, Jim Hawkins of Wyatt, and her adopted mother, Mrs. Maggie Barrett of Wolf Island. The deceased was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter and the members of this Chapter took part in the funeral services, which were conducted by Rev. R. N. Talbert of Cape Girardeau, pastor of the local Christian church. Lairo Company in charge. Interment in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

S. L. Ketchie of Dongola, Ill., spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. M. A. Drane has returned from an extended visit in Jefferson City.

W. M. Head of Bradford, Ill., spent the latter part of the week in this city.

Will Stricker, who has been visiting relatives here, has returned to his home in Chicago.

Mrs. Ben Perkins of Diehlstadt was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leo Carr, for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilkinson and children of Cairo were the week-end guests of relatives in this city.

Bailey Wilkinson, Jr., and mother Mrs. Bailey Wilkinson, Sr., are visiting in Fort Smith, Ark., this week.

Frank and Howlett Thompson, who have been staying near New Madrid, spent Sunday at their home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Byrd, Miss Helen Chapman and Paul Handy Moore were dinner guests Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, in Sikeston.

An eye clinic will be held at the court house in this city, December 18. Dr. Meyer Weiner, Director of Prevention for Missouri Commission for the Blind, will be in charge. This clinic is being held in conjunction with the Mississippi County Health Department and is for all ages.

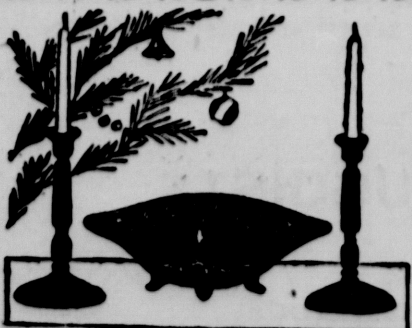
Mrs. T. Ben Brewer entertained with a bridge party, Friday. The game was played at five tables. The guests list included all the members of the Friday Bridge Club and Misses Grace Danforth, Ida Deal and Inez Andrews, Mesdames J. J. Russell, A. W. Chapman, Charles Trickey, Paul B. Moore, R. B. Boyce, Garland Noland, Frank Ashby, Ben Moore and Leslie Fox. Mrs. Wilbur Johnson of Kansas City was an out-of-town guest.

Members of the Saturday Bridge Club were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Byron Howlett. During the game which was played at seven tables, Mrs. Bailey Wilkinson, Jr., captured the high score prize, Mrs. Harry Bryant, the low score prize, while Mrs. Waller Sprague was awarded the visitor's prize. Mrs. Howlett was assisted in serving refreshments by Mesdames John Harris Marshall and Gunter Simpson. Quite a number of invited guests were present with the members.

A Chicago cafe slips a small "no smoking" sign under the plate of women customers.

A 30 per cent increase over normal in wheat seeding throughout Boone County and Central Missouri is indicated, according to milling companies. Seedings were completed about a month ago and much early seeded land has been used as pasture.

Christmas Gift De Luxe



Of all decorative and exquisite wares shown in the gift shops this season, there is none handsomer than that of ebony black glass with a designful patterning done in sterling silver inlay. A choice little piece, a bonbon dish, perhaps, or shapely vase, is sure to be appreciated by the recipient, while an elaborate console set as pictured is a Christmas gift de luxe.

MEN GET 3 YEARS FOR STEALING DOGS

Charleston.—A special term of circuit court was convened here Tuesday with Judge Frank Kelly of Cape Girardeau presiding and several cases were disposed of. One of the most interesting was that of Oscar and Jesse Trousdale, charged with stealing some coon dogs and a shotgun from Paul Davis of Charleston. The men were arrested in Arkansas and brought back to Charleston. They entered pleas of guilty of grand larceny and were sentenced to two years each in the State penitentiary. Jesse Trousdale was being held in Benton jail on another charge and escaped jail there last Saturday, later being picked up in Arkansas with Oscar.

Two other cases of larceny are pending against these men.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were those of William Taylor, charged with stealing cows from Charles Volker of Bertrand. He was found guilty and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Ike Thomas of Wyatt was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of stealing hogs from Thomas Daniels, a farmer living in the Texas Bend district.

The case of Beverly Jones, also charged with the theft of hogs, was continued to the February term of court.

Othel Baggett and Charles Hatfield, Cairo men, charged with possession of a still, who were arrested opposite Twenty-eighth street several weeks ago, were sentenced to serve three months each in the Mississippi county jail.

DONATIONS TO SIKESTON WORKING PEOPLE'S CHURCH

The following is a list of the cash contributors to the new Sikeston Church for Working People—The Pentecostal Church of God. Also, expenses incurred, not including the ten or twelve dollars I have been out for postage and stationery and having my typewriter repaired and new ribbon inserted. These expenses came out of my own personal account and has been donated. Also \$50 worth of time in raising money donated by myself.

Receipts:	
Lyle Malone	\$ 5.00
R. L. Ward, Caruthersville	1.00
H. J. Welsh	5.00
H. D. Rodgers, Benton	5.00
Arthur Capper, Topeka, Kas.	5.00
J. W. Faris, Bloomfield	1.00
H. C. Young	5.00
Cecil C. Reed, Benton	5.00
Elmos Taylor	1.50
S. W. Applegate	5.00
O. L. Spencer	5.00
G. A. Dempster	5.00
R. E. Bailey	5.00
Geo. W. Pearman, Blodgett	2.00
M. E. Montgomery, Benton	5.00
Emil Steck, Benton	10.00
Graber's Store	5.00
J. F. Fulbright, Doniphan	10.00
A. Greener & Sons	10.00
Buckner-Ragsdale Store	10.00
E. F. Schorle	10.00
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T. A. Wilson	1.00
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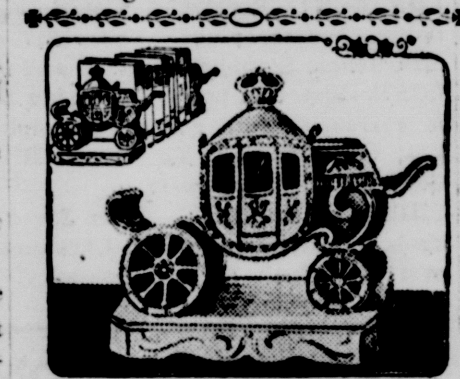
J. Sherwood Smith, Benton	10.00
Whiz Bang Store	2.50
Brown Jewell	1.00
Sterling's Variety Store	10.00
T. F. Henry	5.00
McKnight-Keaton Gro. Co.	5.00
Weil Clothing Co., St. Louis	1.00
Marion Jewel	2.00
Sterling's Variety Store	10.00
White's Drug Store	5.00
I. Becker	.50
Steve Rodgers, Benton	1.00
People's Store	1.00
Kroger Gro. & Baking Co.	15.00
Andres' Meat Market	1.00
Harry Lampert	1.00
Ex-Governor Gardner, St. Louis	25.00
Leek's Hardware Store	1.00
Jake Goldstein	.25
Blue Jay Confectionery,	
Charleston	.25
M. H. Wigdor, Charleston	1.00
Libson Hosiery Shop, Cape	1.00
Wolff Furn. Co., Cape	1.00
Style Rite, Cape	1.00
Mr. Townsend, Cape	7.00

Total Receipts in cash...\$214.00

The following expenses have been incurred—money paid out:

Disbursements:	
Mrs. A. R. Held, for option and rental on lots 18 and 19, in McCoy-Tanner's 3rd add., Sikeston, where we have bargained for lots on which to erect church building	\$3.00
Expense of 2 ladies to Cape Girardeau soliciting, going on Frisco train, also expense of 2 more ladies to Cape Girardeau and Charleston, in	

Stage Coach Book-Ends



From all indications Santa is going to make a specialty of giving stagecoach book-ends this Christmas. They are too clever for words, these book-ends, which stand a decorative little coach at each end of a row of books, for the stagecoach, be it of royal lineage like the one pictured or of thoroughly American pioneer descent, is taking the place of the at-one-time favorite ship as a decorative feature in the home.

automobile	7.00
Total cash donations	\$214.00
Total disbursements	10.00
Total cash on hand	\$204.00

This amount of \$204.00 is on deposit in the Bank of Sikeston, to the credit of building fund. Just ask them about it.

Apparatus for showing 'talkies' pictures during the school year is being installed at Minnesota State College. Oklahoma City Legionnaires are to pay the costs of a college education for a youth selected from the State training school. FOR RENT—Light housekeeping and sleeping rooms. Meals if desired.—335 Gladys Ave. tf.

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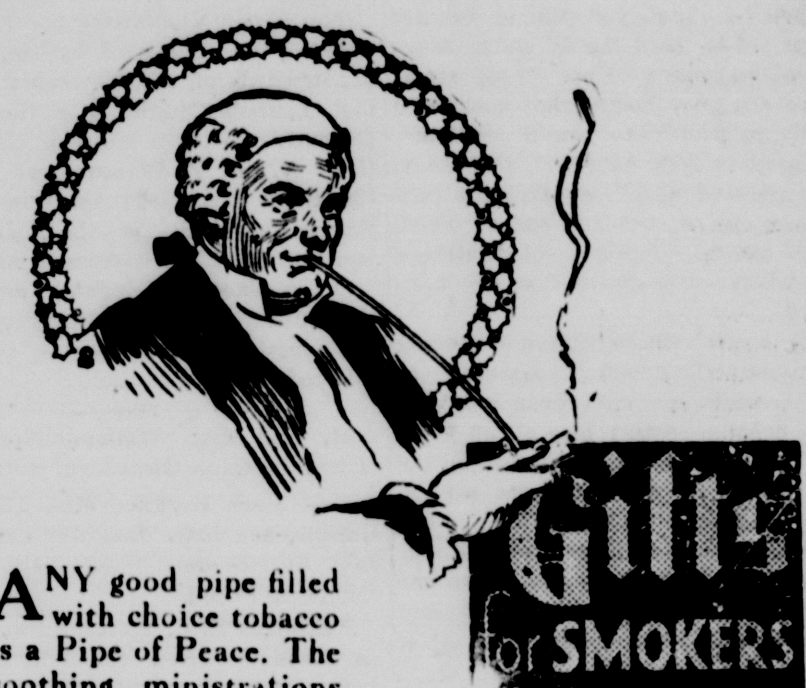
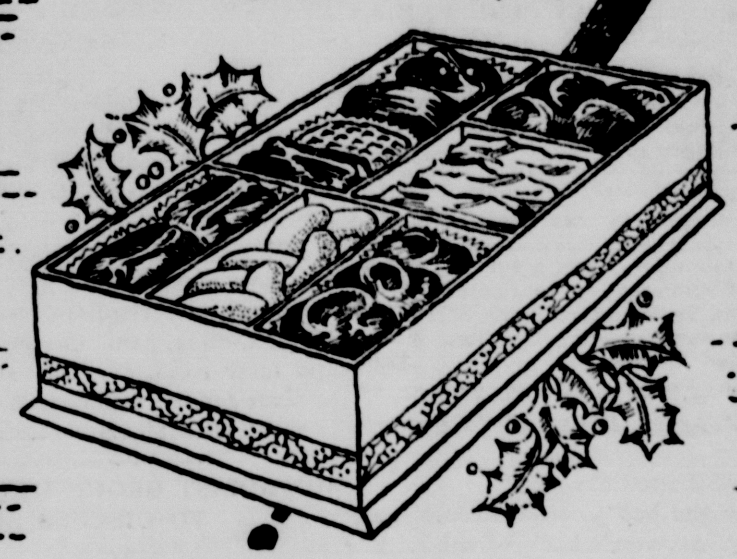
Complete set of farm machinery, including 5 cultivators, harrows, breaking plows, and miscellaneous articles too numerous to mention.

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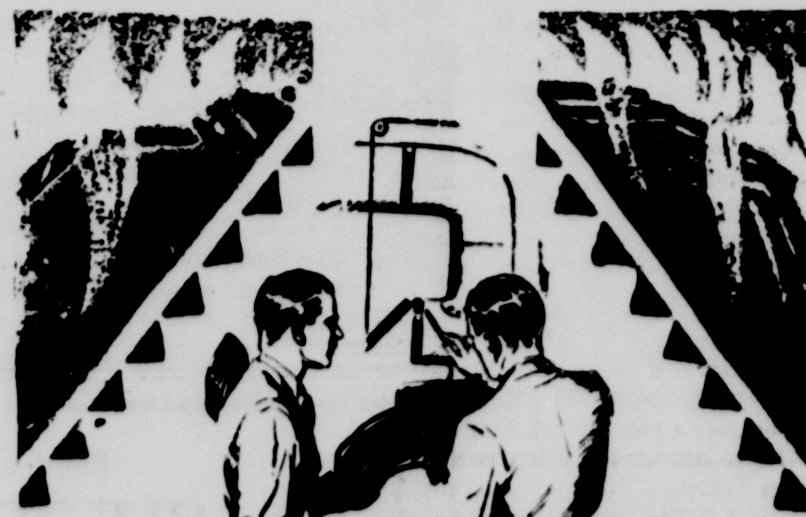
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ATTACKS CITY ASSESSOR

Editor Skeston Standard:

Have you had occasion to look over the tax assessor's book of this city? If you have not, you will be greatly surprised to learn the different values placed on homes. Here on my street there are good homes that cost from \$3000 to \$4000 to build that are assessed at \$700 to \$900. One home not assessed at all, another lot containing one acre of land and on which there are five or six good dwellings, this whole lot is assessed at less than \$2000.

My home built in 1928 and costing approximately \$4000 is assessed a \$1800, while my next door neighbor built a home costing him about \$3200 not including a tenant house in the rear which he rents, but the assessment on this lot is only \$700.

The assessor's home on Gladys Street was built just prior to the erection of my home and cost approximately the same amount, yet it is assessed at \$1000.

The E. E. Arthur and O. M. Arthur homes across the street from me, are assessed at \$1500, each, which is too high, the same as my home.

It seems to me that the City Dads would wake up and look into these assessments so that the burden of taxation would not be placed upon a selected few.

Myself and other citizens living on this street had our lawyer appear before equalization board after the assessments were made, but our city assessor was there also and stated that the assessments could not be lowered, yet that did not keep him from raising some \$700 assessments and assessing the Vowel property which was not assessed at all.

We, Citizens of Moore Avenue, do not mind paying our part of the taxes due the city, but we do object to a one-sided partial plan as has been adopted by our present assessor.

I think the records will bear out all I've said about this matter. So let us tell the people about it and if it is wrong, correct it.

MOORE AVENUE CITIZEN

The Standard editor is not building the light plant building, distributing system, or anything, therefore, is unable to give employment to men who call at this office. Wish it was so that we could help every one who needs work and we hope work will soon start on the system that local help can get busy.

In the Friday issue of The Standard was a news story of Lefty Fuhr, local radio man, who pitched ball for New Orleans last season being traded to Dallas, Texas. The story was not finished as it would lead people to believe Lefty would soon travel South and leave the city. Such is not the case, as he has his wife and two children pleasantly located here and expects to make this his permanent home. It is true he will be out of the city for a while during the summer months, but his family will be here and his place of business open at all times with Bill Shain in active charge.

Mother Jones died a few days ago in Maryland, near Washington, D. C., at the age of more than a hundred, her long life having been devoted to the cause of organized labor. She had taken part in many a turbulent strike, yet so well did she conduct herself, that even her enemies spoke kindly of her efforts, and she in turn was broad enough to recognize the virtues of her sometime foes. The miners trooped from all parts of Illinois to participate in the laying-away of Mother Jones, and their tribute was not idle or perfunctory, for it meant the loss of a working day at a time when working days are not to be reckoned at.

WILL PLAY CHARITY CAGE GAME AN. 1

A charity benefit basketball game has been proposed by school authorities for the afternoon of January 1 at the High School gymnasium. Local High School basketball teams are to meet alumni teams, boys and girls all proceeds to be given to charity.

Bill Baker will probably captain the boys alumni team meeting Coach Cunningham's regulars, while Mrs. M. C. Cunningham, former cage star and later coach of girls' athletics, is to draft former members of her squad to meet Miss Moore's veterans.

METHOLIST GROUP MEETS TO DISCUSS SCOUTING

The Troop Committee for the Boy Scout troop sponsored by the Board of Stewards of the Methodist church met Thursday night with the Scout Executive to learn more of their duties. Dr. B. F. Blanton was elected Chairman of the Troop Committee, Harry Dover will be the education member, Earl Allen, finance and records; Wallace Applegate, activities and Chris Francis, property and equipment. A Scoutmaster will be selected later.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate visited in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mrs. Mack Higgins, Mrs. Theodor Higgins and little daughter and Mrs. Jake Sutton were Cape Girardeau shoppers, Friday.

Mesdames R. C. Matthews and Emma Kendall visited Mrs. Tillman Anderson in the Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau.

Mesdames Earl Malone, Earl Johnson, E. G. Buchanan, Miss Lillian Putnam and Paul David Malone spent Saturday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. C. L. Malone returned from Jefferson City Saturday, where she attended a meeting of the executives of the State Legion Auxiliary.

Mesdames Betty Matthews and Jane Mills will be hostess to a Lotto party at the Hotel Marshall Wednesday afternoon. Game starts at 2:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Virgin Swaim, Miss Florence Withrow with Raymond Hall and Rhodes Wagner motored to Big Springs, Missouri State Park and Holmes Cave, Sunday. They were the guests of Dr. Wagner at Greenville for a six o'clock dinner Sunday night.

The many friends of Mrs. Tillman Anderson will be pleased to learn that her condition is satisfactory. She is a patient in the Southeast Missouri Hospital, where she underwent an operation last Thursday. Her condition was critical for several hours after the operation.

Mrs. Ethel Rooft and Maste Charlie Haase, 2209 West Madison Street, Chicago, visited with her niece, Miss Essie Frazer at the Leroy Moore home last week. Mrs. Rooft spent Saturday night in Dexter with her brother, Rev. Frazer Sunday they returned to Chicago Miss Essie Frazer accompanying them.

CITY LIGHTS ON BUT UTILITY CONTINUES UNDER FRANCHISE

Campbell, December 12.—Conflicting arrangements with the municipal plant and a contract with a power company have made Campbell "the lighted town in Southeast Missouri".

The City recently completed a municipal power plant and street lighting system. The new street lights have been turned on, but the lights provided by the Arkansas-Missouri Power Co. remain in service, the utility's franchise is not expiring for four years.

Lights of the power company and the city plant illuminate Campbell brilliantly, even to the outlying districts.

Officials of the municipal plant and the power company have reached a tentative agreement whereby the company will reduce the number of street lights to the minimum under its franchise. In the meantime, the city plant will continue to operate its system.

Miss Musette Martin of Sedalia is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. P. Van Arsdale, Sr.

BOY SCOUTS PERFORM GOOD DEED SATURDAY

Two groups under the leadership of David Keasler and Charles Allen Cook, spent Saturday afternoon pulling turnips on the Ed P. Coleman farm, in connection with a Red Cross plan for obtaining the vegetables to feed needy persons in this vicinity. Keasler's Scouts won the prize for having pulled the most turnips. White volunteers, the Scouts and a group of workers from Sunset Addition brought in three large truckloads of turnips which will be distributed later.

Mesdames J. L. Brown, Clarence E. Felker, Harry Dover and Miss Ruth Inez Felker visited in Cape Girardeau Thursday.

Dr. Edward Martin, chiropractor, of St. Louis, has rented a suite of rooms in the McCoy-Tanner Building and expects to open his office there December 29.

Doc Brydon, with the Post-Dispatch of St. Louis, was in the city Monday in the interest of his paper. He and his family have moved back to Bloomfield and he is working the territory from that point.

AUXILIARY MEETING

The Auxiliary of the American Legion will have their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. T. A. Martin on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to come to this meeting.

A PRISONER IS RETURNED

Sam Nunnery, representative of the State Prison of Jackson, Miss., arrived Monday morning to accompany J. T. Fox, escaped negro convict, back to prison. Fox was detained on suspicion by Constable Brown Jewell, who made the arrest last Friday.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Call 317. tf.

FOR RENT—5-room house, light and water on Gladys Street. 1 block from school. Phone 579.

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FOR RENT—Wm. Pharris house, Corner School and Gladys Streets. See C. O. Scott, Skeston Trust Co. tf.

FOR RENT—Rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Phone 317.—Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield. 2t. T. and F.

LOST—Blue coin purse, containing \$5 in currency, small change, receipts lost near Southside Kroger and Miss Garden's Millinery Shop. CHRISTMAS CAKES—Order for all kinds of special cakes and Christmas pastries. Fruit cakes a specialty.—Mrs. Gid Daniels, phone 203. tf.

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GIDEON LINVILLE

Gideon Linville, 88 years old of near Miner Switch, died Monday morning at 6:00 o'clock. He is the father of William Linville of this city. Funeral services had not been completed today, but will be held either Tuesday or Wednesday with interment in Thistlewood Cemetery near Mounds, Ill. The E. A. Burke Funeral Service of Cairo will be in charge.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The Hi-League of the Methodist Church will sponsor the Carol singing this year. They will sing on Christmas Eve night between the hours of 7:00 and 8:00 o'clock. They plan to sing in certain centers of town.

In an effort to distribute work a little better, advocates of a five-day week are urging the merits of their cause. No tired person can deny that another rest or recreation day per week would come in handy, but the difficulty lies in the fact that an employer cannot afford to pay a six-day wage for five days of toil. The day that will be lopped off the working week is a stray dog that is being kicked from door to door. Neither employer or employee, merchant nor consumer, seems willing to take it in and be responsible for its keep.

FOR RENT—Completely furnished, 5 room modern house. Lights, water bath, shower, Frigidaire. Call 626 tf.

FOR SALE—Model A Ford truck, good condition and good rubber. Priced reasonable.—Wade Shankle at S. & M. Store. tf.

WANTED—Position as stenographer, bookkeeper, or general office work. Experience. Apply at The Standard office. 2t on M. pd.

EARL FRANKLIN HUNTER

Earl Franklin Hunter, employed until recently in the International hoe Factory plant here, succumbed Sunday following a short illness with pneumonia. Hunter was married two years ago, and leaves his wife, Ella Hunter, and small daughter, Mary Jane, to mourn his death. His mother, Mrs. Maggie Harvey and stepfather, John Harvey of Parma, and two brothers, Ira and Clarence, also survive. Funeral services were conducted at the home on Short Street, Skeston, at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon with Rev. J. A. Duncan officiating. Interment in the Skeston City Cemetery with Albritton in charge.

IN POLIC COURT

Jack Hazel, arrested on a charge of being drunk and disorderly Sunday, pleaded guilty to the charges Monday morning and was fined \$12.

The case of City vs. Hildreth Dill was continued indefinitely. Dill is charged with being drunk.

Kennett—Ely-Walker garment factory resumed operations.

Georgetown County of South Carolina has its first pavement, one mile of the King's Highway having been given a hard surface.

WANTED—3 roomers and boarders.—Mrs. R. E. Limbaugh, 228 Scott Street. tf.

FOR RENT—4-room house, lights, water, Phone 361.—Tom Meyers, 424 North Prairie. tf.

FOR RENT—Furnished 5-room apartment including bath and steam heat.—T. A. Slack, phone 609W.

FOR SALE—Handmade doll lights, pillows, pin cushions, parrots, etc.—Mrs. F. H. Cole, 625 Prosperity. tf.

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Condensed Financial Statement of the Condition of SKESTON TRUST COMPANY

SKESTON, MO.

at close of business Dec. 10th, 1930

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$183,217.78
Bonds (customers)	3,700.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,190.00
Overdrafts	NONE
Other Resources	4,909.17
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	92,684.41
Total	\$286,701.36

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	29,357.46
Deposits	203,025.56
Secretary's Checks	618.34
Bonds (customers)	3,700.00
Bills Payable	NONE
Total	\$286,701.36



Special for Christmas

In the Shape of

Santa and Christmas Bells

ICE CREAM

The Preferred Desert for Christmas

Nowadays, ice cream is as popular after the Christmas dinner as after the Fourth of July dinner. Ice Cream, in any one of dozens of delicious flavors and styles—will be in greater demand this year than ever before.

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 11 years old. I go to school every day at McMullin. I love my teacher. Her name is Mrs. Susie Chene. I am a fine little girl and loved by all who know me. I have many friends. Santa, all I'm going to ask you for this year is only a few gifts that I really need and I hope you will grant my few requests. I want a fountain pen, which I need in school and a nice three-cornered scarf and some candy and nuts and apples and oranges.

JEAN MARGARET BEERY

Dear Old Santa:

I'm a little tot and very cute and smart. I live with my grandparents and I love them so much. I want a little red wagon to haul in wood for my grandmother and mother. And I want a great big red rubber ball.

JERRY WAYNE USREY.

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I'm a little boy of 5 years old and Santa I go to school every day at McMullin. My teacher's name is Miss Lucille Woods and I sure think lots of her. I am a fine little boy with pretty blue eyes. Now Santa, just a few presents I will ask for as I feel there's ever so many little boys that would be so thankful for a real good dinner and all I want dear Santa is a good pair of overshoes to wear to school and a nice big rubber ball so I can play with my little brother, Jerry Wayne, and I have a little sister, Jean Margaret. She helps me with my studies and please don't forget her. Now I want a little horn to blow and plenty of candies and nuts and oranges and apples and please don't forget all the other dear little boy and girls.

JAMES WESLEY USREY.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. Will go to school next year and will sure be glad. I have been a good girl this year and want you to bring me a tri cycle, a chair, a doll and a little dresser and set of dishes. Also bring lots of fruit, nuts and candy.

MARTHA ELLEN CLODFELTER

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be good and think you should bring me a few things I wish. Won't you please bring me a basketball, a little red wagon and a

trailer, a real one, to use with my little blue roadster. But most of all Santa, I want you to keep the girls away. I don't know what to do with 'em. Please don't forget my cousin George.

CLIFFORD PROFFER

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I am not very good, but I will try to be better this next year. I am seven years old. Please bring me a doll, a collar for my dog, a doll bed, a sewing machine and a doll quilt. I will try to be better if I get a Christmas tree. You will find my stocking hanging on the chair. Please don't forget the poor children.

MARY HELEN WAGNER.

My Dear Santa:

I am a little boy, 22 years old. I want you to bring me an aeroplane for Xmas. You don't need to bring me any lollypops for I will get part of Tricie's. Now Santa, don't mistake me. I want a real aeroplane so I can take these good looking girls for a ride. Santa, I live at Risco, but I suppose I will be at Tricie's Xmas. Don't forget me.

JESSE KNIGHT.

P. S.: I'd like to have a doll and some tinkler toys.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy just 21 years old. I am a good little boy. I want a plug of Day's Work for Xmas, a pipe and some lollypops, and a new pair of socks for the ones I have on needs patching and are kinda dirty. But my dear old Santa, most of all, I want a motor cycle and lots and lots of gasoline. Be sure and remember all the other little boys my size. I will be 22 in February.

TRICIE McCANN.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old. I am in the third grade, love my teacher, also my Sunday school teacher. First of all, I want to tell you about my little baby brother, Bobby Don. He is ten months old. I love him an awful lot and wish you would bring him a nice horn, a teddy bear and I would like you to bring me a Rolmonica, with four rolls of music for it and a football. Don't forget though Santa, we both want some new clothes for Xmas and just lots of fruits, nuts and candy. I have four cousins in Skeston. I want you to

Cairo, Ill.

NOTICE TO Taxpayers

Notice Is Hereby Given That I Will Be In

SIKESTON

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COLLECTING TAXES

Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 29-30

Office at City Hall

EMIL STECK

Collector Scott County

WILLIAM G. PATTON
TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

St. Louis, December 15.—Dr. William G. Patton of St. Louis, a physician with offices in the Metropolitan Building and a former assistant superintendent of the State Hospital at Farmington, who has taken an active interest in Democratic politics in Missouri for twenty years, has advised his friends in various sections of the State that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in 1932.

Managers of Patton's candidacy in its preliminary stages have in their possession letters from prominent labor leaders and from a considerable number of political leaders, including county chairmen, assuring him of their support.

Patton, a member of the Jefferson Club of St. Louis and a former president of the Southeast Missouri Democratic League, delivered a number of speeches during the campaign of this year on behalf of the Democratic State and local candidates.

He is a native of Oregon County, Mo., and was educated in the public schools of Thayer and Ironton. He graduated in medicine from Vanderbilt University in 1910 and three years later was appointed by Governor Major as assistant superintendent of the State Hospital at Farmington. He served eighteen months as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army during the World War.

RAT-PROOF BUILDINGS

The best way to control rats is to make it "unhealthy and unpopular" for them—and this can be done in a number of different ways, says State Veterinarian Dr. Homer A. Wilson of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture.

The first and best thing to do is, when building, construct in a rat-proof way. The extra cost amounts to little, and the protection thus obtained will many times pay for the trouble and additional expense.

Rats must have food and shelter and if the buildings are rat-proof they will be handicapped. This is a year when we should try to starve the rats!

LADY'S BOUDOIR CLOSED 11 B. C. FINALLY OPENED

Pompeii, Italy.—Nineteen hundred and forty-one years ago a Pompeian lady of No. 1, Via Abbondanza, set her dressing table in order, arranged rings and jeweled bracelets in their case and left her room, probably to ascertain the commotion outside where an avalanche of ashes and lava from Vesuvius was overwhelming proud Pompeii.

This week government excavators poking with pick and shovel through the debris, discovered the room as she left it, with jewels, rings, bracelets, ear-rings and necklaces intact and still glittering and sparkling in their ageless beauty. In adjoining rooms other treasures of what must have been a very wealthy family were discovered.

Among them are kitchen pots and pans of solid silver with figures representing the twelve labors of Hercules, and two silver services, one complete in all details for four persons, a number of silver spoons, and a silver jug.

In a room believed to have been that of the lady of the house were found a mirror, a perfume container, two pairs of gold set ear-rings, two heavy gold bracelets, three pairs of gold ear-rings, thirteen gold rings, two gold necklaces, two gold brooches, one set with precious stones, and thirteen gold and thirty-three silver coins.

The first discovery was of six silver plates in a box Thursday afternoon. Work was stopped and the government authorities notified. Yesterday the remainder of the objects were taken from the ruins.

MISSISSIPPI COUNTY AHEAD SCOTT COUNTY BELOW 1929 COTTON GINNING TOTAL

Scott County ginning totals up to December 1, are reported as 5221 bales as compared with 5890 at the same date in 1929. Mississippi County on the other hand had ginned 6642 bales up to December 1 this year as compared with 4684 in 1929.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.



LIGHT EXTENDS A HOLIDAY GREETING

Let the outside of your home reflect the happiness that prevails within. Let lights help you say "Merry Christmas" to your community.

Colored lamps entwined in wreaths hung in your windows extends a glowing Christmas message to the outside world. Porch lamp sockets filled with gaily colored lamps reach the eyes of all with a warm greeting of friendliness. Lamps intertwined in bunches of evergreens and shrubbery radiate the true Christmas spirit.

We shall be glad to show you how easily—and inexpensively, too—you can say "Merry Christmas" with light. Come in to see us, and let us tell you about it.

Missouri Utilities Co.

remember them. I lived in Skeston until I was eleven months old, then mother, daddy and I moved to Cairo, and have lived here ever since. My aunt takes The Skeston Standard and reads it to me and has read all the little children's letters in the paper to me and I think they are nice letters too, Santa. I hope you will remember each and every one of them. Please remember mother and daddy, grandma and all of my aunt-uncles. I'm sending lots of love to you with this letter.

Louis Lloyd Satterfield, Jr.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 10 years old. I am in the fifth grade. Miss Wilma Ragain is my teacher. Daddy said that Santa Claus would not come to see us this year as he has been out of work and can hardly get enough work to do to buy something to eat. I have three little brothers and two sisters and if you have anything left, you can bring it to us. Anything will be appreciated. I would rather have a doll and my sisters would like to have a doll too and my brothers would like to have a little toy car. Hoping you will not forget us.

VIRGIE WILLIAMS.

Dear Santa:

We are two little brothers, both good and bad, yet we think we deserve a nice Xmas. So please bring us a football, a pair of gloves, shoes, and fruit, candy and nuts. Bring Jerry Jean, our little brother, a nice kiddie car and ball. Remember aunt Bobbie and uncle Harry. Also mother and dad. Remember Juanita and Watson's little boy, he is a fine little fellow. Bring him lots of pretty things.

BILLY COX
LYNDALL COX

Dear Santa:

Again I'm sending my order in for Xmas, so please bring everything. I want a bi-lo doll, a pair of gloves and a pair of shoes. Top this off with fruit, candies and nuts. Remember my parents and brothers and sister. Also remember our little friend, Watson Frederick Everett, Jr.

GENEVA COX.

Dear Santa:

I am a double ugly 12 year old boy. As the roads are so muddy that I can't come to see you, I will write and tell you what I want. I weigh 85

pounds. Bring Alpha, my brother a football and me one too. Alpha is 14 years old. I am a pretty good boy, so don't forget me. I am in the sixth grade. My teacher's name is Mr. Page. I love candy and everything good.

CEPHAS KEELE.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and in the 2nd grade. I will be a good little boy if you will bring me a cowboy suit, pony and some games. Please bring my daddy a new fire truck as the paint is coming off of this one. Don't forget the poor little boys and girls. I live at the fire department.

ERNEST LEE TONGATE

Because African red ants do not have a taste for American pitch pine that wood is in demand for buildings in Africa.

Give YOUR
SMILE for
CHRISTMAS



Think how you would appreciate the thoughtful gift of a precious photo of a loved one. Just imagine the joy and permanent pleasure the constant reminder of a dear friend or relative would be. They'll want a living picture of you too, to keep your smile and personality always before them. Have your photo taken now for Christmas giving—a truly thoughtful gift that is well appreciated.

Van Dyke Studio
Sikeston, Mo.

QUANTITY PRODUCTION, 1812

Thomas Jefferson, at the time (1785) American envoy to the court of Louis XVI, wrote from Paris to John Jay, then secretary of State for foreign affairs:

An improvement is made here in the construction of muskets, which it may be interesting to congress to know, should they at any time propose to procure any. It consists in the making every part of them so exactly alike that what belongs to any one may be used for every other. Written 145 years ago, that letter contained America's first hint at standardization. An obscure French mechanic named Le Blanc was conducting the experiment.

Jefferson went on to say: He effects it with tools of his own contrivance, which at the same time abridge the work so that he thinks he shall be able to furnish the musket two lives cheaper than the common price. Special tools, quicker work, lower costs, reduced prices! There—revealed for the first time—lay the magic formula by which our vast industrial powers of today have been created!

Jefferson urged Le Blanc to emigrate to America. The Frenchman declined, left Paris, and vanished thereafter from record.

But this experiment emigrated without him. Returning home to become secretary of State, Jefferson promoted Le Blanc's idea here. When our War of 1812 was declared, Eli Whitney and Simon North announced their readiness to supply the American troops with standardized muskets built on the interchangeable plan.

They carried out the project with the greatest success in spite of opposition and ridicule. After that the new industrial system was firmly established.

So our fabulous age of quantity production actually dates from the manufacture of muskets for the War of 1812!—North American Review.

Dallas, Texas, has spent \$20,000,000 harnessing the Trinity River to prevent floods and to solve a major traffic problem.

A memorial to Orren Randolph Smith, designer of the Confederate flag, has been unveiled at Calvary Episcopal Church, Fletcher, N. C.

Malone Theatre - Skeston

Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 16th and 17th

THE UNFORGOTTEN KISS!

The romance the world's been waiting for! The immortal story of a celebrated beauty who defied conventions for the man she loved! An event of the year!



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A LADY'S MORALS

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GRACE MOORE
Broadway and Metropolitan Star

Reginald Denny
Wallace Beery
Jobyna Howland
directed by
Sidney Franklin

Scenic Special "Through Yangtze Gorges"
Comedy "La Schnaaps"
Matinee Wednesday 3:00 P. M.

WHEAT HISTORY TABLE— STATE, NATION AND WORLD

Herewith is an important "wheat table", dealing with both winter and spring wheat, in Missouri, in the United States and in the world, annually since 1919.

These statistics are announced on the joint authority of Agricultural Statistician E. A. Logan of the United States Department of Agriculture and Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture prepared especially for county extension agents, vocational teachers of agriculture, farmers and the grain trade.

Missouri produces soft winter wheat almost exclusively. The leading winter wheat States are Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, Indiana and Texas.

The leading spring wheat States are North Dakota, Montana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Washington.

The leading world producers of wheat are United States, Russia, Canada, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Roumania, India, China, Argentina and Australia, of which the United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia are the leading exporters, sometimes including Russia and India.

Acres of wheat:

Missouri	United States	World
1919	4,565,000	75,694,000
1920	3,012,000	61,143,000
1921	3,161,000	63,696,000
1922	3,105,000	63,317,000
1923	2,830,000	59,659,000
1924	1,607,000	52,535,000
1925	1,704,000	52,255,000
1926	1,403,000	56,337,000
1927	1,568,000	58,784,000
1928	1,511,000	57,724,000
1929	1,730,000	61,103,000
1930	1,420,000	59,024,000
Production of wheat, bushels:		
1919	61,568,000	967,979,000
1920	37,653,000	833,027,000
1921	34,462,000	814,905,000
1922	38,818,000	867,595,000
1923	36,790,000	797,394,000
1924	21,388,000	864,428,000
1925	22,515,000	676,429,000
1926	21,474,000	831,040,000
1927	15,700,000	878,374,000
1928	19,194,000	902,749,000
1929	17,300,000	805,790,000
1930	19,875,000	838,258,800

When windows rattle and prove annoying in the winter winds, screw a small hook to the bottom of the window and a small screw-eye to the window sash, having them far enough apart to make a pretty snug fit. It will lock the window tightly and help keep out the cold air.

It is very difficult for the housewife whose hands are in water constantly to keep her hands dainty during the cold weather, but if vinegar is applied after all washings, while the hands are still moist, and the pores open from the water, it will keep them smooth and white and prevent chapping.

Convenient for Travelers



Scuffed shoes, slippers and "mules" are one of the problems of light traveling. No one likes to carry too much luggage, so the knitted "shoe case" of soft, lustrous duren cotton, as pictured, makes a most attractive Christmas present.

NO LESS THAN NOTHING

Here's one that Elmer Gantry missed!

Down by New Madrid things were being whooped up by the Pentecosts, one girl, under the influence of some of the unexplored stimuli, was given a piece of chalk. She would first draw the picture of a coffin, and then she would write the name of the one who was to pass on immediately; as she would write the futures of the various ones, they would fall in subjection before an improvised altar and seek what was called "the Holy Ghost".

Her brother was sitting by her side as she was carrying through with her splendid work, and his name was written under the coffin—up he sprang and off with his coat and salvation soon reigned in his soul.

A good story—and all that!

John D. Rockefeller gives million to jobless fund—this can't go on whose going to keep up the Rheims Cathedral and the Society for Caring for Homeless Gnu's Affected with Appendicitis.

State Police, if the Legislature passes on it, will have nothing to do with the enforcement of the Prohibition Laws; how like so many other executive bodies in this wonderful State and forty-seven others.

The one mental solace of the American farmer has taken its jolt on the chin. \$220 was levied on nineteen gross of weichel wood pipe stems for Missouri meerschams, running the price to about six cents per stem. I'm of the belief that they'll have to pay duty on any hurricanes that blows in off the oceans. The returning migratory birds will be met on the Gulf and Mexican border and searched for any contraband articles of extreme usefulness, as: spare webs for the feet, spare ribs, etc.

I think that the Episcopalians of New York City will have a more confirmed belief in Hell Fire and Brimstones after Judge Ben Lindsey and Clarence Darrow get through with Bishop Manning, the Episcopal diocese. Judge Lindsey was refused a right to defend himself before a congregation who heard his doctrines degraded by Manning and was ejected from the church by the police, Mr. Darrow kindly consented to defend the mistreated Mr. Lindsey.

Whether or not we are in accord with Judge Lindsey's Companionate Marriage, we'll admit that the Judge has a right to defend himself. And in a larger sense we admire a man who steps out of the beaten path and seeks something for the married people, commonly known as happiness, and seeking to cut down the percentage of divorces, one of our greater social degradations.

It seems that the various church officials are getting more autocratic each year, evidences such as Cannon, Stratton and now none other than Manning. The ecclesiastics have a better chance to refute a popular measure without meeting immediate rebuttal, that is ordinarily, but Lindsay offended the dignity of the church by asking a chance to defend himself. I am in search of an adjective to modify such an action rightly.

Sir Thomas Lipton collapsed as he accepted the 'Losers' Cup' presented to him for his splendid sportsman-

Pale and Weak

"I THINK Cardui is a wonderful medicine, for I improved greatly after taking it," says Mrs. A. W. English, of R. F. D. 4, Roanoke, Va. "When I was just a girl of 13, my mother gave this medicine to me, and it did me a great deal of good. I was weak and run-down. After I had taken Cardui awhile, I felt much better. In 1924, my health was poor. I felt miserable, and hadn't enough strength to do my housework. It took all my willpower to keep up. I was pale and weak. I got Cardui again and took it. My improvement was wonderful. I can recommend Cardui to others, for my health was so much better after I had taken a course of the Cardui Home Treatment."

CARDUI

Helps Women to Health

ship, by the United States. If he played bridge as I do he would know how to accept booty prizes graciously.

Alice Longworth is a very versatile lady. She is reputed now as being responsible for the introduction of the uncorseted figures for milady along about the time of the World War. So goes the yarn by J. Leonard Replegle, director of Steel Supply of the War Industries Board. He said that Mrs. Longworth told him it wasn't essential, so they used the 28,000 tons of steel that had been used for corsets to make battleships.

All we have to do now is to get the women to wear corsets again and we can save all the steel that is being wasted by scrapping the old battleships. Unemployment, the main theme of this bologny, would pass away as a cool April rain. Just think how many men that could be put to work making the stays for the foundered figure.

Fawney old thing! Somebody is knocking my column, evidence that somebody is reading it. But I wonder if the person that is knocking it is like a lot of old cars, who stand a lot of hard knocks to do a little knocking themselves.

—M'sieur Somebody

TANK HEATER PAID BIG PROFIT

Ice water is an impediment to profitable growth of any meat-producing live stock and to production of dairy cows and poultry flocks. In winter time, investment in a tank heater will likely pay for its cost, provided the live stock would otherwise be forced to drink ice cold water.

Tanks from which beef cattle, dairy cows or sheep drink, and from which water is piped for hogs, may be heated to a suitable temperature with an efficient heater. Will Klats, a member of the Chickasaw, Iowa Cow Testing Association, proved the value of warm water. He paid \$25 for a heater and the following month his cows made an average gain of 5.6 pounds of butterfat each. Value of increased production was \$28.34. The equipment paid for itself in one month and had sufficient margin of profit to pay for a winter's supply of coal.

The widow of Woodrow Wilson claims descent from Pocahontas, the Virginia Indian princess.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM BLODGETT

Robert Graham was in Charleston Sunday.

Steve Peal and little daughter, Jane Ellen, were here Saturday.

Miss Maybelle Sheppard visited in Cape Girardeau over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Marshall and family are in St. Louis this week.

Talley Huey and Mrs. Joe Anderson were in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

The Blodgett Epworth League was represented at Charleston Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Nunnelee and family motored to Cape Girardeau Sunday.

Porter, Harry, Jr., and Thad Stubbs of Cape Girardeau were in town, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Marshall of Skeston visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Marshall, Sunday.

The classes of the Methodist church will give a Xmas program. The date will be announced later.

Blodgett basketball teams played at Ilmo last Friday night. Ilmo was victorious in both games.

The B. Y. P. U. gave a tacky party Tuesday night. The money raised will be used to buy literature.

Mrs. E. C. Graham and daughter, Jeanette and Miss Louise Peal shopped in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Neinstedt and daughter, Louise, and Evelyn Pear-

man motored to Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Spaulding had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Spaulding's sister and family of Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. E. C. Graham, Jeanette and Woodrow motored to Wilson, Ark., Saturday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sadler.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Louie Largent of Portageville visited friends in New Madrid Sunday.

Mrs. Dan McCoy of Skeston spent the week-end here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fields and daughters, Misses Mildred and Maxine, spent Tuesday in Memphis, shopping.

Misses Lucille Sloas, Clara Standley and Alice Berryman will spend the week-end in Memphis with friends.

Joe Johnson, George Boone and P. Dallas were Skeston visitos Sunday where they attended the Malone theatre.

George Boone, who is employed Happy Valley, Ark., is spending the week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boone.

Tex Richard of Cairo was called to New Madrid Sunday afternoon because of the death of Harry Fieldson, with whom he has worked.

Jess Wilkerson, constable of New

Madrid township, left Tuesday for Jefferson City, to accompany Calvin Hill and Roy Frohawk to the State penitentiary.

Joe Johnson, P. Dallas, George Boone, Edwin Riley, Ed White and J. Strickland, all government employes at Happy Valley, Ark., spent the week-end in New Madrid with relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the residence for Mrs. Althea Masterson, age 30 years, wife of Lawrence Masterson, who died Monday afternoon after several weeks of illness with typhoid fever.

The County Court met Tuesday to dispose of business matters, which were left over from the regular monthly meeting on the first. Charles Butler of Parma, accompanied Judge Baskins to New Madrid, where he looked after business matters also.

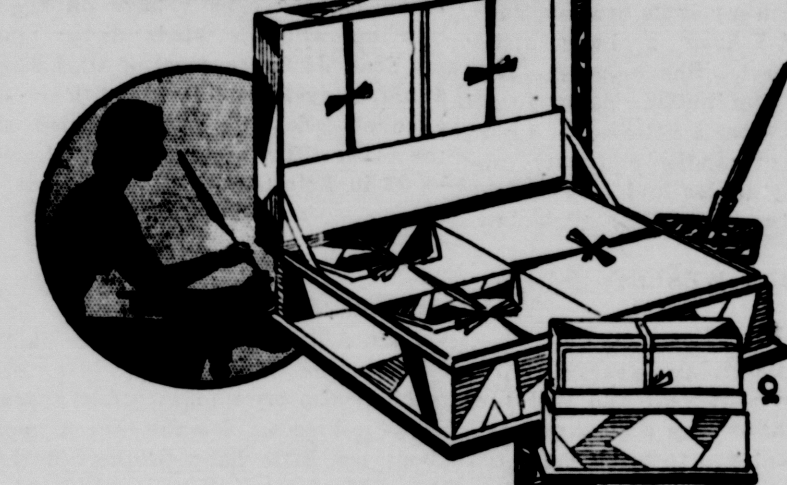
Season loin pork chops with salt pepper and a little powdered sage and sweet marjoram. Dip in beaten egg and breadcrumbs. Fry for 20 minutes in hot fat and then arrange on a meat platter. Have some apples cut in round slices, with the core removed in a little circle in the center. Fry a nice brown in the fat the chops were cooked in and arrange around the chops. Makes a very attractive and very good to eat winter dish.

The Skeston Standard \$1.50 per year



A single gallon of gasoline costs more than the current to light your garage three months.

STATIONERY for Christmas



Styled to Date

Stationery is an index of style. In no other item can style be displayed more readily. That's why it's the individual and distinctive gift it is. When purchased at White's it has the assurance of perfect correctness and elegance—plus genuine value.

Xmas Cards

We also offer a pleasing variety of Christmas Greeting cards, handsome in design, with envelopes to match.



A Gracious Gift Of Subtle Charm

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